

Historic Preservation Commission
Township of Readington
Monthly Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2015

- **Call to Order**

Chairperson Pat Fisher-Olsen called the meeting to order at 7:32 pm. She announced that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting had been duly advertised.

- **Roll Call**

In attendance were Commissioners Pat Fisher-Olsen, Erin Brennan, Jim Carden, Derek Dandurand, Herb Fischer, Alan Harwick, Chuck Waters, and Alternate Commissioner John Woodward. Township Committee Liaison/Mayor Betty Ann Fort was also in attendance.

- **Historic Preservation Commission Design Reviews**

- **Whitehouse Station Historic District**

Bl 22 L 61

259 Main Street

Whitehouse Station, NJ

Applicant: Robert Wright, Business Owner

REVIEW: New Sign and Exterior Painting

The application relates to (i) the installation of an oval vinyl laminate multicolored sign, hung by a wrought iron deluxe scroll bracket, either 20" x 36" or 24" x 42"; and (ii) painting the exterior front façade of the building in Dark Ash (grey) with Limousine Leather (glossy black) trim. The Commissioners discussed the application.

Motion made by Derek Dandurand to approve the application for a 24" x 42" sign as submitted. Herb Fischer seconded the motion; approved by vote of P. Fisher-Olsen, E. Brennan, J. Carden, A. Harwick, C. Waters and D. Dandurand.

Motion made by Jim Carden to approve the painting of the exterior front façade of the building in Dark Ash (grey) with Limousine Leather (glossy black) trim as submitted. Derek Dandurand seconded the motion; approved by vote of P. Fisher-Olsen, E. Brennan, J. Carden, A. Harwick, C. Waters and D. Dandurand.

- **Whitehouse-Mechanicsville Historic District**

Bl 13 L 45

97 Old Highway 28

Whitehouse, NJ

Owners: Jason and Dianna Pflugh

REVIEW: New addition, replacement of existing roof, siding, repair of barn and chimneys.

The application relates to extensive renovations of the property, including but not limited to a two story master bedroom addition, replacement of flat roofs with a-frame type roofs, vinyl siding (Flagstone) and repainting the shutters (black) and trim (white). The Commissioners discussed the application. Commissioner Dandurand commented that architectural elevations of the existing structures and proposed renovations would be required prior to approval of the renovations. Commissioner Harwick advised the applicants to consider seamless vinyl siding if Hardyboard was beyond their budget.

Motion made by Jim Carden to approve the concept and color scheme of the renovations as submitted to wit, slatestone grey architectural shingles, seamless vinyl siding in “flagstone”, with white trim and black shutters; however architectural elevations of the existing structure and the proposed renovations must be submitted to the Commission. Derek Dandurand seconded the motion; approved by vote of E. Brennan, J. Carden, A. Harwick, C. Waters, D. Dandurand, and P. Fisher-Olsen.

Chairperson Fisher-Olsen commended the applicants on their intent to restore this contributing structure to the Whitehouse-Mechanicsville Historic District.

- **Stanton Historic District**

BL 50 L14

139 Stanton Road

PO Box 115

Stanton, NJ

Applicant: Steven and June Garfield

REVIEW: Roof

The roof approval submitted by Chairperson Fisher-Olsen was read into the minutes.

- **Old Business**

Haypress Cemetery Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”). Commissioner Harwick advised that the MOU was presented to the Township Committee and that the Township Attorney is finalizing the agreement.

Historic Structures Documentation Requirements for Demolition Permits. Chairperson Fisher-Olsen advised that the document was submitted to the Township Administrator to be submitted to the Planning Board.

Historic Districts Audit. Chairperson Fisher-Olsen, Commissioner Brennan and any others who would like to join will meet to update the spreadsheets.

Ryland Developers. Commissioner Harwick noted that Ryland Developers submitted a proposal for a 39 unit residential development to the Planning Board, requiring an amendment to the Master Plan.

- **New Business**

Replacement of Jim Horvath. Chairperson Fisher-Olsen advised that Derek Dandurand will become a full commissioner, replacing Jim Horvath.

Appreciation of Jim Horvath. Commissioner Fischer asked if the Township Committee could present a proclamation expressing the Township’s appreciation of Jim Horvath’s long service to the Historic Preservation Commission and the Museum Committee. Mayor Fort agreed and asked if any celebration plans were in the offing. Chairperson Fisher-Olsen will organize a dinner at The Rail.

- **Adjournment**

Erin Brennan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chuck Waters seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Erin Brennan.