# MINUTES OF THE CRANBURY TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION CRANBURY, NEW JERSEY MIDDLESEX COUNTY

# TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

A scheduled meeting of the Cranbury Township Historic Preservation Commission was held in Town Hall, Cranbury, New Jersey, on September 5, 2017 beginning at 7:30 pm.

## STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Pursuant to the Sunshine Law, adequate notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-5) was provided on December 5, 2016, of this meeting's date, time, place and an agenda was mailed to the news media, posted on the Township bulletin board, mailed to those requesting personal notice and filed with the Municipal Clerk.

## CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mr. Szabo, HPC Chair, called the meeting to order. Ms. Scott, performed as recording secretary.

## MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Banks, Ms. Marlowe, Ms. Ryan, and Mr. Szabo. Mr. Walsh requested to be excused, motion made by Mr. Szabo, seconded by Ms. Ryan, all in favor.

#### MINUTES

The minutes of the August 15, 2017 meeting was reviewed. With minor corrections, roll call was taken to approve, all in favor with the exception of Ms. Ryan who was ineligible.

### APPLICATIONS

<u>26 North Main St.</u>: (B18L15) within HD, Classified C; no one was present for the application discussion to replace existing PVC porch decking with Douglass fir (grade) C+ better, tongue & groove (T&G) decking. Edges rounded with cove. HPC was unclear about the cove edge. The steps were not mentioned in the application. They are currently PVC material. HPC has decided to move this application along with recommendations. It is recommended that a coved edge on the 1"x4" T&G and not a coved trim piece. The steps should be a one piece single solid tread (wood). Should this not be suitable, a new application with details will be needed.

The current garage doors are hinged. The replacement doors will be overhead doors. The attached spec sheet by Courtyard Collection indicated style 162Z square top with window style Stockbridge is preferred. Mr. Banks pulled up the vendor's webpage and found pictures and details. With this information, it was determined the product is appropriate for the garage structure.

Hearing no other questions or concerns, roll call to approve this applications with the stated recommendations was taken; AYES: Mr. Banks, Ms. Marlowe, Ms. Ryan, and Mr. Szabo.

<u>6 Park Place</u>: (B32,L23) within HD, Classified C/C-; Mr. Dinardo, the owner, called the Administrative Officer on August 10, 2017 and explained that due to circumstances beyond his control, he would like an extension on the approval received back in August 2015. This project included framing the lattice under the front porch and install risers on the steps. HPC discussed the work project and a fair time frame. According to Chapter 93-5 C (12) HPC agreed to a one year extension.

Hearing no other questions or comment, roll call to approve the extension of time: AYES; Mr. Banks, Ms. Marlowe, Ms. Ryan, and Mr. Szabo.

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## NEW BUSINESS

<u>2018 Meeting Dates</u>: The meeting dates for 2018 were reviewed. Motion to accept the meeting dates made by Mr. Szabo, seconded by Ms. Ryan, all in favor. This memo will be forwarded to the Clerk for the official calendar.

<u>2017 Term Dates:</u> Four HPC volunteers have term dates ending December 31, 2017. HPC Chair will inquire with these member for a determination for their interest. Fortunately, two of the four volunteers are present this evening and have graciously agreed to volunteer for another 4 years.

## DISCUSSION

The <u>Historic Resource Survey Phase One</u> was reviewed. Comments include:

- Cover and Title page; Prepared for: should read Township of Cranbury, Historic Preservation Commission, 32-A North Main Street, Cranbury, New Jersey 08512
- Page 4-4, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph, spell out acronym of HPC
- Page 5-1, 5-2 Methodology; 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph, 4th sentence; A group of historic resources north of Brainerd Lake.....south side of Maplewood Ave. Should read as; east side, on the southern end of Maplewood Avenue.
- Page 6-1, Section 6.0 Setting, 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph; remove *and the Old Cranbury School are both locally designated and* from this sentence. Should read as; *The district is regulated by the HPC*.
- Page 7-2, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph, 8<sup>th</sup> line Prospect Place should be Prospect Street
- Page 7-2 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph, 7<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> lines; both references to 81 North Main should be 83 North Main
- Page 7-2 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph 5<sup>th</sup> line; .....building was built as a funeral parlor. It was built as a furniture store.
- Page 7-5 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph 11<sup>th</sup> line; *The roof is clad with shaped slate shingles....* they are currently asphalt shingles, but originally clad with shaped slate.
- Page 8-4 Table 8.2; 110 North Main Street-should this be recommended for noncontributing? 32 North Main Street-the original structure (built prior to 1890) was the First National Bank, should this be recommended for noncontributing?
- ATTACHEMENTS: Attachment A: Resumes, should Kristen Herrick have a resume included?

<u>Grant Opportunity</u>-information of the 1772 Foundation grant opportunity was given to Ms. Marlowe. She will forward the information to the Historical Society. This is a matching grant up to \$15,000 and may be a candidate for the Barn Park restoration project.

<u>Training Opportunity</u>-Rutgers University, Camden is hosting a workshop on historic wood window restoration, identification, and maintenance. Unfortunately, the date is September 23, the same day of as Cranbury House Tour. It was suggested that due to the funds left in the training budget, it may be beneficial to have a vendor come to Cranbury.

#### ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business, a motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Ms. Ryan, and carried, the meeting was thereupon adjourned.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY**

I, undersigned, do hereby certify;

That I am the duly appointed secretary of the Cranbury Township Historic Preservation Commission and,

That the foregoing minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission, held on September 5, 2017 consisting of 2 pages, constitute a true and correct copy of the minutes of the said meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 2017.