MINUTES OF THE

CRANBURY TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION CRANBURY, NEW JERSEY OCTOBER 5, 2021

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

The regular meeting of the Cranbury Township Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) was held on October 5, 2021 at 7:00 pm by remote access videoconferencing in response to COVID-19 and the updated Open Public Meeting Act guidelines.

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mr. Golisano called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Pursuant to the Sunshine Law, adequate notice in accordance with the Senator Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6) was provided on January 8, 2021, of this meeting's date, time, and place, and the 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. Notification of remote access meetings going forward, until further notice, was posted on the Township website on July 3, 2020 and sent to the Trenton Times, Home News, and Cranbury Press on July 3, 2020.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Mr. Golisano, Chair, Mr. Walsh, Vice Chair, Ms. Marlowe, Ms. Ryan, Ms.

Suttmeier and Mr. Geier, Alt II

Members Absent: Mr. Szabo, Alt I

Professionals and Staff Present: Evelyn Spann, Committee Liaison

Robin Tillou, Historic Preservation Commission Secretary

APPLICATIONS

Minor and/or Ordinary Maintenance and Repairs Approvals

Ms. Tillou advised the Commission of the ordinary maintenance and repairs and/or minor application approvals that was approved by the Chair and/or Administrative Officer.

28 Liedtke Drive submitted a Certificate of Approval (CoA) application on September 8, 2021 for a garage door replacement. This was deemed ordinary maintenance and repair which is replacing the garage door from white to white and will be a 3-panel top lite garage door.

12B and C Station Road submitted a CoA on September 14, 2021 for a roof replacement. They are replacing the roof with Landmark Shingles in weathered wood color.

HPC121-21, #6 Scott Avenue, Block 33, Lot 33, Driveway and Patio in Rear Yard

Ms. Laurel Korholz was present and is the Owner and Applicant for 6 Scott Avenue Certificate of Approval (CoA) application.

Ms. Korholz explained the application stating she would like to put in a small patio in the rear yard on the pond side of her house to create an outdoor space. Regarding the proposed driveway, the paved driveway is broken down and there is a puddle that develops on the bottom side of it. There used to be a tree that was removed on the right side of the home, so we would like to use that space to put in a gravel drive that is wider to accommodate more cars. The gravel would aid in more efficient drainage.

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Chair Golisano stated it is a condition of HPC for applications to receive zoning approval when necessary.

Chair Golisano stated the front of the house is not parallel with the street on the provided plan the gravel driveway is a squared off piece that has borders all around it. Is there going to be gravel all the way through?

Ms. Korholz stated there will be the curb pavers at the bottom so it will not be gravel all the way through. The sidewalk is not on her property.

Chair Golisano stated there should be some sort of a concrete apron that squares it up to the road.

Mr. Geier stated the curb along the road may not be good. If the raised curb on the two sides that are along the street had the same two wide border along the street at the end of the driveway as a transition on the street it will keep it high enough to retain the gravel and not have you driving over a curb.

Chair Golisano made a motion to approve with conditions of submission of stones be apron to the street, the pavers being shown in picture provided with application be used for the patio and zoning permit approval. Vice Chair Walsh offered a second.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Golisano, Ms. Marlowe, Ms. Ryan, Ms. Suttmeier and Mr. Walsh

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None.

OLD BUSINESS

Camden RR Signs

Ms. Tillou advised the Owner of the signs would be ConRail. According to the tax maps Consolidated Rail Corp is the owner of the properties.

Chair Golisano advised to keep following up with ConRail. An idea of possibly having a competition for the public to create a plaque or sign to raise awareness of the Hamlet being designated and getting the public involved to create ideas of how they would want it to look.

Ms. Suttmeier stated there is a nice history of information on a board at Brainard Lake. It would be nice to have a story on the sign and something stating welcome to Cranbury Hamlet. Ms. Suttmeier volunteered to follow up on the verbiage of the sign.

Proposed Changes to Historic District and Buffer Areas

Ms. Tillou went over Elizabeth Leheny's Memo to the Historic Preservation Commission with the only revision from the previous memo being Bennett Place.

Sustainable Jersey Historic Preservation Element

Ms. Tillou advised Dr. Barbara Rogers will be following up on the summary that was submitted for the Historic Preservation element of Sustainable Jersey and will possibly be attending one of the future HPC meetings to review.

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Chair Golisano made the motion to approve the minutes with the edits and/or revisions mentioned.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Golisano, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Walsh and Mr. Geier

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None

September 21, 2021

Chair Golisano made a motion to approve the September 21, 2021 minutes.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mr. Golisano, Marlowe, Ms. Ryan, Ms. Suttmeier and Mr. Walsh

NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Golisano opened the public forum.

Janice Mondoker, 92 Halsey Reed Road, agrees with Ms. Suttmeier's vision of the Camden Railroad Signs. It would be great to have a sign to tell the story of the area. In Helmetta, the Historical Society had raised funds to have a beautiful sign made and installed.

With no further public comment Chairperson Golisano closed the public forum.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business, a motion was made by Chairperson Golisano to adjourn the meeting and Vice-Chair Walsh offered a second. By unanimous vote, the meeting was thereupon adjourned at 7:40 pm.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed secretary of the Cranbury Township Historic Preservation Commission, and that this document, consisting of 3 pages, constitutes a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 5, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name on this day of October, 2021.

Robin Tillou
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Recording Secretary
Historic Preservation Commission