

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

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

A regular meeting of the Cranbury Township Historic Preservation Commission was held in Town Hall, Cranbury, New Jersey, on October 20, 2009 beginning at 7:30 pm.

CALL TO ORDER

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

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Pursuant of the Sunshine Law, adequate notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-5) was provided of this meeting's date, time, place and 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.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Girardet, Ms. Marlowe, Ms. Stasi, and Mr. Ziegler were present. For the record, Mr. Williams called the secretary and asked to be excused.

MINUTES

The minutes of the October 6, 2009, meeting were reviewed, amended and approved with a motion by Ms. Marlowe, seconded by Ms. Stasi, all in favor.

APPLICATIONS

13 South Main Street, Chimney (B35,L5) In Historic District, Classified C; Homeowner Mr. Jay Taylor was present to discuss his submitted applications. The first application for review is the non-functioning chimney situated on the west elevation. Mr. Taylor explained that this interior chimney was built on the second story and extends up and through the roof, it does not extend down to the first floor and basement. Mr. Taylor explained that there is no structural support under this heavy load and stress can be visibly detected. Mr. Taylor hired an engineer and in his opinion, the bricks used to build the chimney appear to be more modern than that of an 1845 home. Mr. Taylor was informed by the previous owner that a circular hole was cut to allow for a coal stove. Mr. Taylor would like to remove the chimney, make the necessary stress repairs, and re-roof over the roof, bringing the home back to its original state. HPC asked about the shuttered attic window. Mr. Taylor stated that currently no glass window exists, it is simply shuttered. The existing chimney on the east elevation extends from the basement up to and through the roof.

HPC reviewed the application and studied the photos. Due to the position of the front windows, there was never a fireplace. The installation of this chimney is not original to the house.

A verbal roll call to approve this application to remove the non-functioning chimney as presented: AYES: Mr. Girardet, Ms. Marlowe, Ms. Stasi, and Mr. Ziegler

13 South Main Street, Roofing (B35,L5) In Historic District, Classified C; Homeowner Mr. Jay Taylor was present to describe that the existing slate roof was installed over the original cedar shake roof. Documentation of this was included with photos taken in the attic showing the

original cedar roof with water damage. An exterior photo was included that clearly shows cedar shakes exist under the slate.

HPC stated that since the evidence shows the original roof was of cedar shakes, HPC has no issue with installation of the cedar shingles as the submitted application states.

A verbal roll call to approve this application to replace the existing roof materials with original material as presented: AYES: Mr. Girardet, Ms. Marlowe, Ms. Stasi, and Mr. Ziegler

Prior to hearing the above applications for 13 South Main Street, Ms. Stasi and Ms. Marlowe informed everyone that they had separate informal discussions with applicant about the options with HPC and this application.

1Park Place East (B30,L10), In Historic District; on October 13, 2009 application was made for signage to be installed on the front façade of this small red barn structure. Mr. Anthony Cavallaro and Ms. Anna Vudnik were present to discuss the details. Mr. Cavallaro stated that he would like to install two 18.5”H x 72”L signs in the location where previous signage was situated. They will be hung in the painted black area over the two existing large windows. There will not be extra illumination, only existing. Signage will be attached by screwing them to the building. Signage specifications were supplied with the application.

A verbal roll call to approve this application as presented: AYES: Mr. Girardet, Ms. Marlowe, Ms. Stasi, and Mr. Ziegler

DISCUSSION

Design Guidelines Ms. Marlowe informed HPC that she is in communication with Ms. Gail Hunton, who is working on the darkened photo.

NJ Downtown Revitalization & Management Institutes Session: Ms. Stasi informed HPC that Ms. Scott downloaded the PowerPoint presentation which was found online. Ms. Stasi summarized this meeting in an email that was forwarded to the Clerk for distribution to the Township Committee.

Request for Proposal: Ms. Stasi has no updates at the State level. Ms. Scott has no updates for the GIS mapping.

Meeting Attendance: Mr. Girardet informed HPC that he will be unable to attend the December 15th meeting. In addition, he will be unable to attend meetings in January and February 2010. Mr. Ziegler stated that he will be unable to attend the February meetings.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business, a motion duly made by Mr. Girardet, seconded by Ms. Marlowe 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 October 20, 2009, 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 17th day of November 2009.

Linda M. Scott, Recording Secretary