

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

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

A meeting of the Cranbury Township Historic Preservation Commission was held in Town Hall, Cranbury, New Jersey, on July 17, 2012 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 November 29, 2011 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.

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Girardet, Ms. Marlowe, Mr. Williams and Mr. Ziegler. Mr. Johnson, HPC Liaison, was present.

MINUTES

The minutes of the July 3, 2012 meeting was approved with a motion by Ms. Marlowe and second by Mr. Girardet, all in favor. Record will reflect that Mr. Williams did not participate.

APPLICATIONS/DISCUSSION

11 North Main Street (B23, L68) In Historic District, Classified K; Record will reflect that Ms. Marlowe recused herself from Chairing to present this application along with contractor, Mr. Marty Coffey. Mr. Ziegler assumed the role of Acting Chair at this time.

Application received on July 2nd to remove existing window and expand the area for a window bench seat and install a new triple sash glider window. Ms. Marlowe showed pictures of her kitchen flooded just below the counter top. She explained that both Hurricane Irene (August 27, 2011) and another flood situation flooded her kitchen.

Mr. Coffey explained that the boxed bump out will be on the back of the house and extend out to the edge of the soffit, approximately 15". Raising the window installation further up from the ground will act as a preventative measure to keep flood water from entering. The new window will be a Marvin triple sash. The two flanking windows will glide inwards.

A motion to approve this application was made by Mr. Williams, second by Mr. Ziegler, all in favor. Mr. Ziegler, Acting Chair, signed the application.

5 North Main Street, (B23,L69) In Historic District, Classified C-: Mr. Ralph Maselli, son and contractor for homeowner, stopped in the HPC office to say that he is unable to attend the meeting. He communicated to secretary that he investigated the synthetic wood and slate products that were discussed during the last meeting for this application. Mr. Maselli decided that a slate product by EcoStar (Federal Grey color) is the material that would be best for this application and supplied a sample board for HPC to view. The cedar shingles under the existing slate and the slate will be removed; plywood underlay will be installed prior to re-roofing.

HPC likes the look, the thickness and the faux chipped edges of this product. It was stated that from a distance it cannot really be detected that it is a synthetic slate. Mr. Ziegler commented that Mr. Maselli was very responsive and cooperative. HPC appreciates the swiftness that this project has taken and is looking forward to seeing the finished result.

A roll call to approve this application using the EcoStar product: AYES; Mr. Girardet, Ms. Marlowe, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Ziegler.

OTHER APPLICATIONS

42 Station Road, (B18,L20.20) July 11, 2012; In Buffer Zone: re-roofing and re-siding the structure. No action required.

53 South Main Street, (B18,L3); July 16, 2012, In Historic District, Classified K: application received to re-roof the two free standing structures behind main house. Existing three tab asphalt shingles will be replaced with like, deemed as ordinary maintenance.

NEW BUSINESS

The Historic District map was copied so Mr. Ziegler may deliver it to Mr. Mills and Ms. Bzdak. This will aid in preparing an inventory project scope so HPC can understand what may be involved.

Grant Information: The New Jersey Historic Trust has two available grants, a Capital Preservation Grant and a Historic Site Management Grant. Both grants require matching funds criteria which is not preferred. There is a CLG (Certified Local Government) grant that required no match, however, the 2012 deadline has passed. HPC will keep this grant option in mind after more details about a survey are known.

2012 Nation Trust for Historic Preservation: Purchase Order for 2012 membership will be mailed so HPC remains current.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Meeting was open for public comment. Hearing no public comment, this portion was closed.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business, a motion duly made by Mr. Ziegler, second by Mr. Girardet 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 July 17, 2012 consisting of __ 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 __day of August 2012.

Linda M. Scott, Recording Secretary