

Historic Preservation Commission  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
September 9, 2020

- Call to Order

Chairperson Pat Fisher-Olsen called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm. She announced that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met, and that this meeting had been duly advertised. The meeting was held via Webex.

- Roll Call

In attendance were Commissioners Pat Fisher-Olsen, Alan Harwick, Erin Brennan, Chuck Waters, John Woodward (arrived late) and Alternate Commissioners Dana Maurer and Stephen Nees. Commissioners Jim Carden and Herb Fischer were absent.

- Historic Preservation Commission Design Reviews

1. Three Bridges Historic District

BL 88 L2.01

15 Broad Street

Three Bridges NJ

Applicant: Ryan Brozanski and Sally Gibb

Review: New Construction - Garage

The application relates to the construction of a free standing 24' x 24' one-story, two-car garage to be placed at the end of the driveway. The siding and roof shingles will match those on the existing house (constructed 2018) The Commissioners discussed the application.

Motion by Alan Harwick to approve the application as submitted. Dana Maurer seconded the motion. Approved by vote of P. Fisher-Olsen, A. Harwick, E. Brennan, C. Waters, D. Maurer and S. Nees.

2. Whitehouse Station Historic District

BL 23 L 18

131 Main Street

Whitehouse Station, NJ

Applicant: Hedy Kohlmann-Blair

Review: Installation of exterior ramp

The applicant returned to the Commission for the redesign of the exterior ramp to ensure compliance with ADA requirements. The original design was approved by the Commission March 10, 2015. Zoning (setback) requirements necessitate moving the ramp to the south side of the structure, next to the side porch and terminating at the front of the existing porch. The Commissioners discussed the application.

The applicant asked the Commissioners for their advice on the ramp's materials. The Commissioners agreed that wood would conform aesthetically to the design of the house

and that a non-skid additive could be applied to the surface. The ramp will have white square balusters and hand rail that matches the material used on the rear porch.

Motion by Alan Harwick to approve the revised plans to install the ADA-compliant ramp to the south side of the structure as submitted in the application, with preferred material to be wood with an anti-skid surface to be applied. John Woodward seconded the motion. Approved by vote of P. Fisher-Olsen, A. Harwick, E. Brennan, C. Waters, J. Woodward, D. Maurer and S. Nees.

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- Minutes. The commissioners reviewed the draft minutes from the July 14, 2020 meeting. Alan Harwick moved that the minutes be approved as submitted. John Woodward seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- Old Business
  1. *Three Bridges National Register Application*: ongoing.
  2. *Woodschurch Cemetery* – Chair Fisher-Olsen presented the memo she sent to the Township Committee, Director of Public Works, and Chair of the Environmental Commission expressing the Commission’s appreciation and support in the tree removal at the cemetery.
- New Business

Bl 63 L 9/West Woodschurch Road: The Commissioners discussed the proposed demolition of the eighteenth century house on the property. The property was overlooked when the Hunterdon County Sites of Historic Interest was developed in 1979. Chair Fisher-Olsen informed the other Commissioners of the request to the Zoning, Planning, and Code Officials as well as the Township Committee to document the structure prior to demolition. She will work with the property owner to arrange a time for the Commissioners to view the property to determine the level of documentation required.

Alan Harwick made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Erin Brennan seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Erin Brennan.