

Historic Preservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2024

- **Call to Order**

Pat Fisher-Olsen called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. 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 at the Readington Township Municipal Building.

- **Roll Call**

In attendance were Commissioners Pat Fisher-Olsen, Alan Harwick, Erin Brennan, Sarah John, and Alternate Commissioner Marie Almer. Commissioners Jim Carden, Steve Nees, Chuck Waters and Alternate Commissioner Scott Barton were absent.

- **Historic Preservation Commission Design Reviews**

Stanton Historic District

BI 63 L 45.02

Review: Deck Construction

The application relates to the construction of a 28' x 24' TimberTech coconut husk wood-look composite deck at the rear of the house. The deck would not be visible from the road. The commissioners discussed the application.

Motion made by Alan Harwick to approve the application as submitted. Sarah John seconded the motion. Motion approved by: Pat Fisher-Olsen, Alan Harwick, Erin Brennan, Sarah John, and Marie Almer.

Whitehouse-Mechanicsville Historic District

BI 18 L 18

Review: Fence Installation

The application relates to the installation of a 6 foot high dog ear fence of pressure-treated pine commencing at the midpoint of the east and west facades of the house and continuing down the east and west property lines to the existing chain-link fence at the rear of the property. The driveway will be accessible by a two panel "barn door" style gate. Trees in the way of the fence line will be removed. The commissioners discussed the application.

Vice-Chair Harwick noted that a landscape design plan showing proposed positioning and type of replacement trees in accordance with the Tree Removal and Replacement Ordinance (148-69.1) must be submitted to and approved by the zoning official.

Motion made by Alan Harwick to approve the application as submitted, subject to the prior approval of the landscape plan by the zoning official. Sarah John seconded the motion. Motion approved by: Pat Fisher-Olsen, Alan Harwick, Erin Brennan, Sarah John and Marie Almer.

Whitehouse Station Historic District

BI 23 L 18

Review: Business Sign

The application relates to installation of a new signpost and hanging sign 7'6" from the Main Street sidewalk to the left of the building. The 6' x 6' post, finished in black semi-gloss paint, will be set in the ground and packed using limestone screenings. A one-inch diameter powder coated steel rod will extend from the top of the post to accommodate the hanging sign. The 22" x 42" sign will be of ¾" exterior wood signboard. The artwork will be black with white and Pantone 630 blue lettering and trim. The commissioners discussed the application.

Motion made by Alan Harwick to approve the application as submitted. Sarah John seconded the motion. Motion approved by: Pat Fisher-Olsen, Alan Harwick, Erin Brennan, Sarah John, and Marie Almer.

- **Minutes**

- *April 11, 2024:* Motion to approve the minutes made by Alan Harwick and seconded by Sarah John. All were in favor.

- **Adjourn.** Alan Harwick made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sarah John seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Erin Brennan.