

**TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

6101 THIRTEENTH ST.
MAYS LANDING, NJ

**January 12, 2017 – Reorganization Meeting
7:00 PM**

This meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was called to order by Secretary Lisa Marcolongo. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the certification of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law was read.

Roll Call

Present: Roberta Boney; Carl Farrell; Cheryl Fetty; Ronald McArthur; Kim Rullis; Heather Tomasello.

Absent: Arlene Blosch

Administration of Oath of Office to New Members

The Oath of Office was administered to Kim Rullis by Secretary Lisa Marcolongo.

Minutes

Carl Farrell requested one change to the proposed minutes of the December 8, 2016 meeting – that the acceptance of the October 13, 2016 minutes was seconded by James Kerrigan, not John Kurtz. On the motion of Carl Farrell, seconded by Cheryl Fetty and carried by a unanimous vote, the minutes of December 8, 2016 were approved as amended.

Reorganization

Election of Chairperson

Cheryl Fetty nominated Ronald McArthur. Dr. McArthur seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations and the floor was closed for nominations. Ronald McArthur was elected Chairperson for the year 2017 by a vote of five in favor and one abstention (Ronald McArthur).

Election of Vice-Chairperson

Kim Rullis nominated Cheryl Fetty. Dr. McArthur seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations and the floor was closed for nominations. Cheryl Fetty was elected Vice-Chairperson for the year 2017 by a vote of five in favor and one abstention (Cheryl Fetty).

Appointment of Secretary

On the motion of Cheryl Fetty seconded by Ronald McArthur and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Lisa Marcolongo was appointed Secretary for 2017.

Establish Meeting Dates & Times

On the motion of Cheryl Fetty, second of Heather Tomasello and carried, the 2017 meetings were established as the second Thursday of each month. All meetings will begin at 7:00 pm.

Adoption of Rules of Procedure

On the motion of Heather Tomasello, second of Cheryl Fetty and carried, the Rules of Procedure were adopted as presented.

Applications

#01-2017 Jiang Wen Yang 6142 Old Harding Highway
Block 732/Lot 51 Application to replace metal porch roof with shingled roof

Applicant stated that the house roof is shingled and the porch roof is metal; he wants to replace the metal porch roof with a shingled roof to match the house roof. Applicant stated that a metal roof would show marks and is concerned that a falling branch would damage the metal and a shingled roof would not show damage. He would prefer to do shingles but will do a metal roof if that is what the Commission requires.

On motion of Cheryl Fetty, second of Carl Farrell to approve the application as presented, the motion was defeated in a roll call vote of 0 in favor and 6 opposed.

Mr. Jiang agreed to amend his application to replace the existing metal roof with the same standing seam metal roof. On motion of Ronald McArthur, second of Cheryl Fetty, the application was approved as amended with a roll call vote of six in favor and none opposed.

#02-2016 Gary Keyser 6002 Main Street (Domino's Pizza)
Block 744/Lot 1 Application for two (2) individual letter signs

Applicant stated that when he applied last January, the intention was always that the signs would have a solid background; however, he wants to please the HPC. Mr. Keyser submitted drawings to the members for review that included decorative trim around the signs' background. Mr. Keyser suggested that he could paint the background to match the color of the siding.

On motion of Cheryl Fetty, second of Kim Rullis to approve the two signs (Route 50 elevation and Main Street elevation) as amended to include decorative trim around the backgrounds and the backgrounds to be painted to match the siding color (color to be determined by owner and approved by HPC), the application was approved as amended with a roll call vote of five in favor and one opposed (Boney).

It was agreed that the Applicant will not change the signs until the siding paint color has been chosen by the Owner and approved by the Commission. The Commission will invite the Owner to attend the February meeting to finalize the siding paint color.

Announcements

None.

Old Business

Ron McArthur reported that the Subcommittee met with Phil Sartorio to discuss a CLG grant application of about \$9,000. This would be used for materials such as brochures, information for owners and realtors, etc. and to update the walking map. Carl Farrell gave Phil the name of a graphic artist. Cheryl Fetty said that there were no matching funds required for this grant.

On motion of Cheryl Fetty, second of Roberta Boney to recommend to the Township Committee that the Township complete the grant application, the motion was approved with a vote of six in favor and none opposed.

Ron McArthur noted that there is a Standards & Guidelines handbook on the HPC webpage that contains a great deal of helpful information. He distributed copies to all the Commission members.

Ron McArthur reported that there is a workshop in Bordentown on Saturday, March 18 called Preservation in Practice: A Primer for Historic Preservation Commissions.” Commission members are required to attend one conference per year. Members will let Lisa know if they can attend, and she will do the registrations.

New Business

Cheryl Fetty reported that Arlene Blosch has been ill and will likely not be able to continue as an HPC member. No action to be taken at this time.

Correspondence

None.

Memorializations

None.

Public Comment

Branka Tanasic had asked to speak to the Commission tonight regarding a property at 207 Lenape Avenue; she is interested in possibly purchasing it but wanted the HPC’s input about her ideas. However, Ms. Tanasic was not able to attend. The Commission reviewed the drawings provided but suggested that Ms. Tanasic come to the next meeting to answer questions about her ideas.

There were no members of the public present.

Adjournment

On the motion of Heather Tomasello, second of Cheryl Fetty and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Marcolongo, Secretary