

**Tewksbury Township Historic Preservation Commission**  
**Emergency Meeting Minutes**  
**August 25, 2011**

The emergency meeting of the Tewksbury Township Historic Preservation Commission was called to order at 8:38 AM at 10 Joliet Street, Oldwick by Vice Chairman Beveridge. The members of the Commission present were Cyril Beveridge, Janet Clark, Rosemary Hartten, Karen Moriarty, Mary Elizabeth Young and Ruth Melchiorre. Randy Benson, the Secretary and Dennis Bertland, the Historic Preservation Consultant, was also in attendance. Based on the members present, a quorum was established.

**Applications**

Application 10-13 Frederick Root  
Block 41, Lot 6 – 10 Joliet Street, Oldwick

Frederick Root, the property owner, was present. Mr. Root had presented his application to replace his current stone driveway with Belgium block for the sloped part of his driveway only as per the plans that were presented. At the meeting the Commission decided a site walk would be appropriate to get a better understanding of the site conditions. Mr. Root provided photographs of other sites where similar colored blocks had been used. Commissioner Clark said she believed that part of the runoff issue is that the driveway needs regrading. Mr. Root agreed but noted that every time it is regraded, the stones still get washed out when it rains. Mr. Root explained how the water would run down the side of the street and into a new pipe that would be installed under the driveway. The driveway will also have a dip in it that will direct water that runs down the driveway. Commissioner Beveridge asked if the blocks would affect the root structure of the tree located on the east side of the driveway. Mr. Root said it will not be affected because it will be one foot away. Mr. Root said the stacked stone wall will also be repaired because automobiles have hit it and knocked stones loose. The Commission discussed the wall and were concerned the wall will still have the same appearance once it is repaired. Commissioner Clark and Commissioner Melchiorre stated they felt tar and chip would be more appropriate for the driveway. Mr. Root said there would be a maintenance issue. The township has to tar and chip the roads every few years because it does not last. A motion was made by Commissioner Hartten seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the application with a condition the wall would be replaced in kind. Of the six Commission members present, Commissioner Hartten, Commissioner Moriarty, Commissioner Young and Commissioner Melchiorre voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Beveridge and Commissioner Clark voted against the application.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Moriarty and seconded by Commissioner Melchiorre to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken and all of the Commission members present voted in favor of adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 AM.

Respectfully submitted  
Randall Benson  
Secretary, Historic Preservation Commission