

Tewksbury Township Historic Preservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
November 28, 2011

The meeting of the Tewksbury Township Historic Preservation Commission was called to order at 7:30 pm in the Mountainville Meeting Hall by Commissioner Scheier. The members of the Commission present were Michael Scheier, Cyril Beveridge, Janet Clark, Rosemary Hartten, Karen Moriarty, Mary Elizabeth Young and Ruth Melchiorre. Randy Benson, the Secretary, was also in attendance. Based on the members present, a quorum was established.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Chairman Scheier read the opening statement that the Commission meeting being held that evening was in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, and indicated where notices for that meeting were posted.

Minutes

The minutes of October 24, 2011 were approved with corrections. On page 1 in the third line under Minutes add the letter “s” to the end of the word “stat”. On line thirteen change the word “regarding” to the word “regrading”. On page 3, change the first word from “Ezio” to “Enzio”. Under Miscellaneous in the last sentence, add a “d” to the word “provide”. A motion was made by Commissioner Clark seconded by Commissioner Young to approve the minutes with the corrections. The following Commissioners voted in favor of the motion: Commissioner Scheier, Commissioner Beveridge, Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Hartten, Commissioner Moriarty, Commissioner Young and Commissioner Melchiorre.

Correspondence

Claims

The following claim was submitted for payment:

Dennis Bertland Associates – Invoice #11-70-1.6 for attendance at the 9/26/11 and 10/24/11 meetings and review of applications. \$360.00

On a motion by Commissioner Clark seconded by Commissioner Beveridge, the claim was approved as submitted. The following Commissioners voted in favor of the motion: Commissioner Scheier, Commissioner Beveridge, Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Hartten, Commissioner Moriarty, Commissioner Young and Commissioner Melchiorre.

Resolutions

The Commission considered Resolution 2011-15 for 62 Old Turnpike LLC. A motion was made by Commissioner Clark seconded by Commissioner Melchiorre to approve the

resolution with one correction. On page 1 under Resolution, item a. the word “is” should be the word “in”. The seven Commissioners eligible, Commissioner Scheier, Commissioner Beveridge, Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Hartten, Commissioner Moriarty, Commissioner Young and Commissioner Melchiorre, voted in favor of the resolution with the correction.

The Commission considered Resolution 2011-16 for Joseph and Justine Caracacciolo. A motion was made by Commissioner Beveridge seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve the resolution as submitted. The seven Commissioners eligible, Commissioner Scheier, Commissioner Beveridge, Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Hartten, Commissioner Moriarty Commissioner Young and Commissioner Melchiorre, voted in favor of the resolution.

Applications

Application 11-17 Samuel and Judith Glasgow
Block 38, Lot 12 – 14 King Street, Oldwick

Samuel and Judith Glasgow were present and sworn in. Charles Heurich, the contractor for the property owner was also present and sworn in. Mrs. Glasgow is seeking approval to use Hardi Plank siding on the house instead of the originally proposed cedar siding. Mrs. Glasgow said the proposed Hardi Plank would be mounted to have the smooth side out to the weather. The Glasgow’s would like to use the Hardi Plank because it is more durable. Commissioner Beveridge stated he was concerned the Hardi Plank will always look new and not age like real wood. Mr. Heurich stated another factor about cedar siding is that it is now cut from fast growing trees where the growth rings are spaced farther apart unlike old growth trees where the rings were much closer together. The rings closer together make the boards stable and more resistant to cupping and warping. Mr. Glasgow presented a sample of the siding and trim put together and painted to show how the siding would look on the house. The Commission discussed the thickness of the Hardi Plank verses the cedar clap boards. The Glasgow’s stated they believe that both materials were approximately the same thickness. Commissioner Beveridge stated he thought the cedar clapboard was thicker. When the two products were compared the cedar clapboard did appear to be thicker than the Hardi Plank. The Commission discussed the concern that Hardi Plank will keep looking new while the cedar clapboard will age and may be more in keeping in a historic district. A motion was made by Commissioner Beveridge seconded by Commissioner Moriarty to approve the application as submitted. The following Commissioners voted in favor of the motion: Commissioner Scheier, Commissioner Beveridge, Commissioner Hartten, Commissioner Moriarty and Commissioner Young. Commissioner Clark and Commissioner Melchiorre voted against the motion.

Miscellaneous

Commissioner Clark questioned the funding of the sidewalks in Oldwick and if the Secretary had obtained the information showing how the money was spent and if the

Township had stayed within the budget. Secretary Benson said he would get the accounting for anyone who wanted a copy.

Commissioner Clark asked if the minutes could be proof read a little more closely so there may not be as many grammatical errors in 2012. Secretary Benson said he would try to proof read them more closely to remove errors.

Public Participation

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Beveridge and seconded by Commissioner Moriarty 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 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted
Randall Benson
Secretary, Historic Preservation Commission