

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING JUNE 10, 2014**

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mark Sharp, Chairman
Laly Espinoza Kuga, Vice Chairperson
David Danois
Scott Lamperti
Edward Potosnak III (7:05)
Curt Climes, Alternate 1
Wendy Wright-Schaefer, Alternate 2

Also present recording secretary Stephanie Sherwood.

Call to order at 7:01 pm. Chairman Sharp read the Compliance Statement.

NEW APPLICATIONS

COA 01-06-10-2014, 45 Rockview Avenue. Troy and Michelle Evans were sworn in. Mrs. Evans explained the need to replace the existing asphalt roof shingles over the sunroom; the copper gutters and downspouts will be replaced in kind if needed. The unattached brick steps between the sidewalk and the walkway will be repaired as well.

There were no questions from the audience regarding the proposed work to be done at 45 Rockview Avenue.

Ms. Kuga made a motion to approve Application 01-06-10-2014 for 45 Rockview Avenue as presented by Troy and Michelle Evans. Work to be done consists of replacing the existing sunroom asphalt roof in kind; replacing the copper gutters and downspouts in kind; repairing the front brick steps to include limestone tread on the steps and installing wrought iron handrails.

Seconded by Mr. Danois with Roll Call as follows:

Ayes: Danois, Kuga, Lamperti, Sharp, Climes, Wright-Schaefer

Abstain: Potosnak

Motion carried 6-0-1.

Chairman Sharp advised that the Certificate of Appropriateness would be ready within 7-10 business days.

COA 02-06-10-2014, 112 Sycamore Avenue. Ronald and Ella Morvay were sworn in. Mrs. Morvay explained the need to replace the back portion of the slate roof on the garage. Advising that the front portion of the roof is comprised of slate and asphalt shingles, Mrs. Morvay voiced her concerns with imitation slate as it may not be aesthetically pleasing.

Mr. Sharp opened the floor to comments from the audience regarding Application No. 02-06-10-2014 for 112 Sycamore Avenue.

Frank D'Amore, 40 Willow Avenue, North Plainfield, commented on the use of imitation slate, noting that after a few years' time the colors will fade and blend quite nicely.

Mr. Potosnak made a motion to approve Application 02-06-10-2014 for 112 Sycamore Avenue as presented by Ronald and Ella Morvay. Work to be done consists of replacing the back portion of the garage roof with imitation slate; replacing the rooted rafters in kind; installing ½" CDX plywood and the ice and water shield; replacing all ancillary roof components in kind if necessary.

Seconded by Ms. Kuga and on Roll Call carried all seven voting aye.

Chairman Sharp advised that the Certificate of Appropriateness would be ready within 7-10 business days.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chandrashekar Laveti, 5 Goldfinch Court, Piscataway, NJ, owner of 26 Willow Avenue, North Plainfield, inquired after the procedure for obtaining a Certificate of Appropriateness and when it is necessary. Mr. Sharp advised that all work to the exterior of the house and/or the garage must be approved by the Commission.

Frank D'Amore, 40 Willow Avenue, North Plainfield, commented on land development ordinance 22-122.13d which calls for the construction official to report to the Commission periodically regarding work done within the Historic District. Citing 3 Myrtle Avenue and 31 Rockview Avenue as examples, the speaker noted these homeowners have not adhered to the guidelines set forth in the certificates of appropriateness.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Sharp explained that Mark Tighe, the Board of Adjustment Chair, had advised him of the Yeshiva Tiferes Boruch's intent to construct an addition to their secondary building. Upon discovering the addition would be inappropriate to the district, he advised Mr. Tighe that the Commission would not approve their application should they submit one.

Mr. Potosnak regretfully announced his resignation from the Commission effective immediately. All members wished him well.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the October 8, 2013 meeting were examined.

Chairman Sharp called for a Roll Call on the minutes:

Regular Meeting of October 8, 2013:

Ayes: Danois, Kuga, Potosnak, Climes, Wright-Schaefer

Abstain: Lamperti, Sharp

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Sharp, seconded by Mr. Lamperti and on voice vote carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.