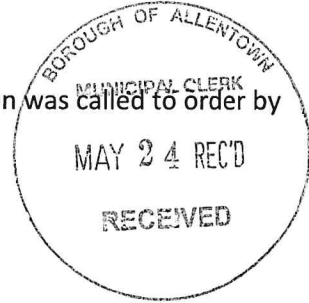


ALLENTOWN HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW COMMISSION

Minutes for 2/18/2021

The regular Meeting of the Allentown Historic Preservation Review Commission was called to order by Chairwoman Jan Meerwarth at 7:00 PM.



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COMPLIANCE STATEMENT:

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P. L. 1975, Section 5, adequate notice has been given of this meeting by posting a Notice in a public place and by transmitting a notice in two newspapers, The Trenton Times and the Asbury Park Press as required by law.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Allison Arnone, Jan Meerwarth, Frank Cincotta, Wil Borkowski, Kurt Wayton, David Bamford, Cynthia Malsbury.

Absent excused: Suzanne Smith, Brian Mojta, Nancy Tindall, Ed Dallas

Council Liaison present: Mayor Thomas Fritts

MINUTES

Minutes from the January 14 meeting were reviewed and discussed.

Motion to approve minutes : Wil Borkowski; 2nd: Frank Cincotta

A Voice Vote was taken

Ayes: all present

Nays: none

The Motion passed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: (3) minutes per person on agenda items only.

- Public Participation. (None)

APPLICATIONS:

1. Sign – 49 South Main Street – Wikoff (Applicant not present.)
 - a. Sign discussed. Mr. Fritts asked if the HPRC is entitled to approve commercial signs on residential properties. A variance may be needed. Size of the sign (23 ¾" x 20") relevant to the house is questioned.
 - b. Motion to approve style of the sign as appropriate for HPRC approval.
 - Allison Arnone (1st), David Bamford (2nd) Passes unanimously.
2. New Construction – 21 Waker Ave – Penn Reach Krystal Odell present to discuss.
 - a. Ms. Odell described the intended use of the home. It is a medical group home for disabled residents.
 - b. Mrs Meerwarth discusses suggestions presented in last month's meeting. Ms. Odell is amenable to all suggestions for the facade.
 - c. Mr. Borkowski suggests the elimination of 'J channels' and offers alternatives. d. Lighting options are suggested.
 - e. Ms Odell expresses interest in working in concert with Mayor Fritts re: the addition of a

sidewalk.

f. Architect to refine plans for approval at next month's meeting.

3. · Porch Restoration & Rear Addition – 107 S Main Street – Nini

a. Mr. Nini offers insight.

- Gable will be extended out approx. 10 feet (2 stories) with a small porch. The rear of the roofline exposed to the sides of the house will not be altered to meet egress of windows.
- At the front of the property Mr. Nini is going to restore the facade to approximate the original appearance. This will include removing the 'sunporch' and opening the front porch. Vinyl will be removed.
- Rail is not intended to be added.
- Cindy Malsbury adds that she grew up in this house and suggests the porch was enclosed in 1959.
- Front windows will be replaced as close to original as possible.
- Recessed lighting may be added, Ms Meerwarth suggests that Craftsman style lights be added.
- Ms Malsbury asks what type of roofing will be used. Roofing that matches the existing will be used.

b. Motion deem appropriate for HPRC approval

- Allison 1, Wil 2nd, Motion carries, no nays.

4. · Replace Outbuilding – 40 Church Street - Mayer.

a. Outbuilding discussed. 18x20 structure. Barn door entrance, peak of roof approximately 12 feet. Portion of the frame has begun to be installed.

- images are presented of the original structure.
- Mr. Mayer compares new structure with old structure.

b. Motion deem appropriate for HPRC approval.

- Allison Arnonne 1st, Fank 2nd Franck Cincotta, Wil and myself recuse. Others pass.

5. · Roof Replacement – 12 Maiden Lane - Meara.

a. Suggested that roof color matches historic material of wood or slate.. Short discussion as to recommendations, Ms. Marsbury educated the committee on the former use of the building.

b. Motion to deem acceptable my HPRC standards.

- FC (1st) CM (2nd). Unanimously passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Update on Union AME cemetery sign. Ms. Arnone discusses correspondence with church leaders and historians regarding the sign's title, emphasis, and historical facts. Work will be done to correct accuracy and wording.
2. Update on HP ordinance and design guidelines are given by Ms. Meerwarth. Mr. Fritts adds that the ordinance should be introduced at the next meeting.
3. Update on truck ban. Thus Far over 800 signatures have been completed. The Board of Commissioners are being appealed to. Personal letters to the Clerk are requested.

New Business:

- **None.**

There being no further business, Chairperson Meerwarth declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kurt Wayton, Secretary