

Historic Preservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
April 27, 2022

- **Call to Order**

Pat Fisher-Olsen called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. She announced that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met, and that this meeting had been duly advertised. The meeting was held via Webex.

- **Roll Call**

In attendance were Commissioners Pat Fisher-Olsen, Erin Brennan, Jim Carden, Stephen Nees, and John Woodward. Commissioner Chuck Waters and Alternate Commissioners Dana Maurer and Herb Fischer were absent. Commissioner Alan Harwick arrived late.

- **Historic Preservation Commission Design Reviews**

- *Whitehouse Station Historic District*

BL 22 L64
155 Main Street
Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889
Applicant: Raymond O'Donnell
Site Name: Station Auto Repair
Contractor: Dannucci Roofing, Frenchtown, NJ
Review: New Roof

The application relates to the replacement of the roof on the front section of the building with (i) GAF Timberline HDZ Lifetime Shingles, and (ii) GAF Liberty SBS Flat Roof System on all low-slope roofing. The commissioners discussed the application.

Motion to approve the application as submitted by Jim Carden and seconded by John Woodward. Motion approved by vote of P. Fisher-Olsen, E. Brennan, J. Carden, S. Nees, and J. Woodward:

BL 22 L63
157 Main Street
Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889
Applicant: Brian Carter, Mohawk Enterprises 157 LLC
Site Name: The Rail at Readington
Contractor: Padovani Construction, 46 Old York Rd., Bridgewater, NJ
Review: New Roof and Gutters

The application relates to (i) the replacement of the hip roof with GAF Timberline HD Lifetime Shingles in charcoal black, (ii) replacement of the existing silver metal roof on the

closed in porch section with a standing seam metal roof in a black powder coat finish; and (iii) replacement of the existing white aluminum gutters and leaders with black gutters and leaders (no work will be done to the Yankee gutter system). The commissioners discussed the application.

Motion to approve the application as submitted by Erin Brennan and seconded by Jim Carden. Motion approved by vote of P. Fisher-Olsen, A. Harwick, E. Brennan, J. Carden, S. Nees, and J. Woodward:

- **Minutes.** The commissioners reviewed the draft minutes from the April 12, 2022 meeting. Alan Harwick moved that the minutes be approved. Jim Carden seconded the motion. All were in favor.

- **Other Business.**
 - *Local Historic District Signs.* The proposed location of the Whitehouse Station sign facing south may not be acceptable. Chairperson Fisher-Olsen asked Commissioners Nees and Woodward to speak with the police department regarding the proposed sign locations to determine their suitability.

 - *101 Main St, Whitehouse Station.* Chairperson Fisher-Olsen noted that the lot at this address, next to the DAR cemetery, is up for sale. The historic building is described as a “teardown”. Planning Board approval will be required for any construction and they will want the Commission’s input. Even though the property is neither directly in the historic district nor on Plate 14, it will govern an approach to the Whitehouse Station historic district. Consequently, any construction should be compatible with the district.

 - *Swift-Sure Stagecoach Barn, Centerville.* Chairperson Fisher-Olsen advised that the church that owns this 18th century structure has inquired about demolishing the structure. It is in severe disrepair and unsafe. This structure is of great significance to the Township and will require a high level of documentation if any demolition is proposed.

- **Adjourn.** Erin Brennan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alan Harwick seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Erin Brennan