BOROUGH OF LITCHFIELD HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION 2187 Litchfield, Connecticut 06759

The Borough of Litchfield Historic District Commission held **Public Hearings** on **Thursday, August 4, 2022** at the Borough Office, 28 Russell Street, Litchfield, Connecticut. The hearings were called to order by Commissioner Julia Metcalf at 7:00pm.

Present were Commissioners, Julia Metcalf, Wendy Simoncelli, Glenn Hillman, and Alternate Commissioner Tony Cecchinato.

Also present were Cassie Simoncelli, Mike Russell, Robert VanWyck, David Horne, and Cleve Fuessenich.

Mr. Hillman moved to seat Mr. Cecchinato as a full commissioner for this meeting. Ms. Simoncelli seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Hillman read the legal advertisement of each hearing as published. The Chair explained the procedure for conduct of the hearings and described each application.

1. The public hearing, published July 28, 2022 in the Republican American, Application #2318, Robert and Marisa Schmidt, 34 South St., for installation of landscape lighting convened at 7:02pm. The Commission reviewed the application with the contractor Mike Russell.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:16pm.

2. The public hearing, published July 28, 2022 in the Republican American, Application #2323, Nick Priola, 67 Meadow St., for repair/replace of front steps and installation of privacy fence, convened at 7:17pm. The Commission reviewed the application.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:19pm.

3. The public hearing, published July 28, 2022 in the Republican American, Application #2327, James Stedronsky, 62 West St., for installation of solar panels on barn extension, convened at 7:19pm. The Commission reviewed the application. The application is held over to next meeting, as the Commission would to like to discuss other possible options with the homeowner.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:20pm.

4. The public hearing, published July 28, 2022 in the Republican American, Application #2329, Robert VanWyck, 98 West, for replacement of roof, convened at 7:20pm. The Commission reviewed the application with the applicant.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:20pm.

5. The public hearing, published July 28, 2022 in the Republican American, Application #2330A, Hal Davis, 7 East St., for work on rear elevation of house, including replacing gutter, repair flashing around chimney, repair roof, and repair siding, convened at 7:21pm. The Commission reviewed the application. The application is held over until next meeting, as additional information is needed regarding the work proposed.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:22pm.

6. The public hearing, July 28, 2022 in the Republican American, Application #2330B, Hal Davis, 7 East St., to replace front porch columns, replace front fence, replace roof, repair/replace siding and trim, convened at 7:23pm. The Commission reviewed the application. The application is held over until next meeting, as additional information is needed regarding the work proposed.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:23pm.

7. The public hearing, published July 28, 2022 in the Republican American, Application #2331, Norman Ambrose Sauer and Stephan Krucker, 39 Beecher Lane, to repair and extend front stone step area, convened at 7:24pm. The Commission reviewed the application.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:25pm.

Respectfully submitted, Glenn Hillman, Clerk

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The **Regular Meeting** of the Borough of Litchfield Historic District Commission was held at the Borough Office, 28 Russell Street, Litchfield, Connecticut on **Thursday, Aug 4, 2022.**

I. Call To Order

Commissioner Metcalf called the meeting to order at 7:25pm.

II. Recording of Attendance

Present were Commissioners Julia Metcalf, Wendy Simoncelli, Glenn Hillman, and Tony Cecchinato. Also present were Cassie Simoncelli, Mike Russell, Robert VanWyke, Cleve Fuessenich, and David Horne.

III. Business Pertaining To Certificates of Appropriateness

 Application #2318, Robert and Marisa Schmidt, 34 South St., for installation of landscape lighting. Ms. Simoncelli moved to approve the application as submitted, pending discussion. Mr. Hillman seconded. Discussion ensued regarding the precedent setting nature of this application, the amount of lighting, and the style of lighting fixtures. Ms. Simoncelli withdrew the motion and then moved to consider an amended application with a new landscape lighting proposal, if submitted by the homeowner. Mr. Hillman seconded. Motion carried.

The roll call vote was: Metcalf- yea, Simoncelli- yea, Hillman – yea, Cecchinato – yea. A modified application will be accepted and considered and a new public hearing will be scheduled.

2. Application #2323, Nick Priola, 67 Meadow St., for repair/replace of front steps and installation of privacy fence. Mr. Hillman moved to approve as amended. Ms. Simoncelli seconded. Motion carried.

The roll call vote was: Metcalf- yea, Simoncelli- yea, Hillman – yea, Cecchinato – yea. The Certificate of Appropriateness is hereby issued for work described in said application as stipulated and is valid for one year from approval.

3. Application #2327, James Stedronsky, 62 West St., for installation of solar panels on barn extension. Application held over until next meeting.

 Application #2329, Robert VanWyck, 98 West, for replacement of roof. Ms. Simoncelli moved to approve the application as submitted. Mr. Cecchinato seconded. Motion carried.

The roll call vote was: Metcalf- yea, Simoncelli- yea, Hillman – yea, Cecchinato– yea. The Certificate of Appropriateness is hereby issued for work described in said application as stipulated and is valid for one year from approval.

5. Application #2330A, Hal Davis, 7 East St., for work on rear elevation of house, including replacing gutter, repair flashing around chimney, repair roof, and repair siding. Application held over until next meeting.

6. Application #2330B, Hal Davis, 7 East St., to replace front porch columns, replace front fence, replace roof, repair/replace siding and trim. Application held over until next meeting.

7. Application #2331, Norman Ambrose Sauer and Stephan Krucker, 39 Beecher Lane, to repair and extend front stone step area. Mr. Hillman moved to approve the application as submitted. Ms. Simoncelli seconded. Motion carried.

The roll call vote was: Simoncelli- yea, Hillman – yea, Cecchinato– yea, Metcalf – yea. The Certificate of Appropriateness is hereby issued for work described in said application as stipulated and is valid for one year from approval.

IV. Other Business

Public Participation.

 Waiver, Borough of Litchfield, East Green, to temporarily remove and safely store the plaques from the Harriett Beecher Monument. Motion made by Ms. Simoncelli to issue a Waiver, given all structures on the Green are under the care, custody, and control of the Borough, the HDC approves that the plaques will be temporarily removed and safely stored. A separate application will be submitted for any additional changes. Mr. Hillman seconded. Motion carried.

The roll call vote was: Simoncelli- yea, Hillman – yea, Cecchinato– yea, Metcalf – yea.

- 2. Application #2332, David Horne, 15 South St., reapplying for the work in Application #2145, due to the expiration of the one year period to complete the work, for replacement of front porch, railings, steps. The Commission reviewed the application with the applicant.
- 3. Application #2333, Patrick and Danielle Muecke, 118 South St., to add a cap to chimney on brick pillars. The Commission reviewed the application.
- 4. Application #2334, Richard and Cynthia Blazek, 237 Old South Rd., for installation of solar panels on rear roof. The Commission reviewed the application.
- 5. Application #2335, Harold Colvocoresses, 56 East St., for replacement of front porch, and to reset flag stones. The Commission reviewed the application.

Ms. Simoncelli recused herself from the next two applications.

- 6. Waiver issued to Barbara Protzmann, 46 East St., for the repair of garage doors, as this is repair in kind. The Commission reviewed the application.
- 7. Waiver issued to Jim and Wendy Simoncelli, 190 East St., for the replacement of bulkhead doors, as this is replacement in kind. The Commission reviewed the application.

Ms. Simoncelli was reinstated.

V. Correspondence

none

VI. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>

Motion made by Ms. Simoncelli to approve the Minutes from July 21, 2022 with minor changes. Mr. Hillman seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm on a motion by Mr. Hillman, seconded by Mr. Cecchinato and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted, Glenn Hillman, Clerk