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BOROUGH OF LITCHFIELD HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION 2187 **Litchfield, Connecticut 06759**

The Borough of Litchfield Historic District Commission held **Public Hearings** on **Thursday, November 3, 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, and Glenn Hillman, and Norman Ambrose-Sauer.

Also present were Cassie Simoncelli, Ernest Nepomuceno, Megan Hope, Marty Kenney, Patrick Kenney, Richard Quay, William Munn, Stacie Kavle, Jim Huffstetler, Perley Grimes, Jeff Zullo and Gerry Geci.

Motion to assign Mr. Ambrose-Sauer as a regular Commissioner for this meeting made by Ms. Simoncelli and seconded by Mr. Hillman. Motion unanimously carried.

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 October 28, 2022 in the Republican American, Application #2267, Litchfield Courthouse LLC, 15 West St., for modification to original application including changes to siding and windows for elevator tower addition, convened at 7:00pm. The Commission reviewed the application with Megan Hope, Ernest Nepomuceno, Marty Kenney and Patrick Kenney.

Richard Quay, Vice President, Greater Litchfield Preservation Trust, spoke in favor of the changes to the Courthouse plan. These changes were recommended by NPS and SHPO and he would like to see the LHDC support them, as well. He also stated that if the Courthouse project is delayed, it may jeopardize the closing.

Perley Grimes, President, Greater Litchfield Preservation Trust, spoke in favor of the changes to the Courthouse plan. He endorses the original plan and its changes 100%.

Ms Metcalf read an email from First Selectwoman, Denise Rapp, supporting the changes into the record. It is attached at the end of the Minutes.

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Jeff Zullo, Selectman, added his support of the changes, as well.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:24pm.

2. The public hearing, published October 14, 2022 in the Republican American, Application #2351, Lea Haber Kuck, 153-155 South St., for main house and carriage house restoration, including new siding, roof, trim, porch, remove wood deck, install stone terrace, and stone walkway, convened at 7:25pm. The Commission reviewed the application with William Munn, Contractor.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:28pm.

3. The public hearing, published October 14, 2022 in the Republican American, Application #2359, Alexander and Gina Duckworth, 38 Beecher Lane, for porch addition, convened at 7:29pm. The Commission reviewed the application with Stacie Kavle.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:31pm.

4. The public hearing, published October 14, 2022 in the Republican American, Application #2360, Jim Huffstetler and Patricia O'Reilly, 40 Wolcott St., to add windows to the rear of the garage, convened at 7:32pm. The Commission reviewed the application with Jim Huffstetler.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:33pm.

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, November 3, 2022.**

I. Call To Order

Commissioner Metcalf called the meeting to order at 7:35pm.

II. Recording of Attendance

Present were Commissioners Julia Metcalf, Wendy Simoncelli, Glenn Hillman and Norman Ambrose-Sauer.

Also present were Cassie Simoncelli, Stacie Kavle, Ernest Nepomuceno, Megan Hope, Marty Kenney, and Patrick Kenney, Jeff Huffstetler, William Munn, Perley Grimes, Jeff Zullo, and Gerry Geci.

III. Business Pertaining To Certificates of Appropriateness

1. Application #2367, Litchfield Courthouse LLC., 15 West St., for modification to original application, including changes to siding and windows for elevator tower addition. Motion made by Mr. Hillman to approve the application as modified, seconded by Mr. Ambrose-Sauer. Motion carried.

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

Ms. Simoncelli moved to change the order of business to accommodate those present to vote on a previous application for which the public hearing was held on Oct, 20, 2022. Mr. Hillman seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

7:44pm Julia recused herself and Ms. Simoncelli continued as Acting Chair for this application.

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Application #2347, Litchfield Historical Society, Tapping Reeve House, 82 South St, for installation of a ground plaque for sycamore tree. Motion made by Mr. Ambrose-Sauer to approve the application as submitted, and seconded by Mr. Hillman. Motion carried.

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

7:45pm Ms. Metcalf reinstated.

2. Application #2351, Lea Haber Kuck, 153-155 South St., for main house and carriage house restoration, including new siding, roof, trim, porch, remove wood deck, install stone terrace, and stone walkway. Mr. Hillman moved to approve the application as submitted, Ms. Simoncelli seconded. Motion carried.

The roll call vote was: Metcalf- yea Simoncelli- yea, Hillman- yea, Ambrose-Sauer- 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 #2359, Alexander and Gina Duckworth, for porch addition. Mr. Ambrose-Sauer moved to approve the application as submitted. Ms. Simoncelli seconded. Motion carried.

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

4. Application #2360, Jim Huffsteler and Patricia O'Reilly, 40 Wolcott St., to add windows to rear wall of garage. Mr. Hillman moved to approve the application as submitted. Mr. Ambrose-Sauer seconded. Motion carried.

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

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IV. Other Business Public Participation.

A. Applications

1. Waiver issued to David and Lisa Vincenzi, 37 Spencer St, for demolition of shed and to install new garage, since it is not visible from the public way. The Commission reviewed the application with the owners.

B. Other business

Motion to approve the proposed 2023 meeting schedule made by Ms. Simoncelli and seconded by Mr. Hillman. Motion unanimously carried.

V. Correspondence

None.

VI. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Ms. Simoncelli to approve the Minutes from October 20, 2022 meeting with minor changes. Seconded by Ms. Metcalf. Motion approved. Mr. Ambrose-Sauer and Mr. Hillman recused themselves from voting since they were not in attendance on Oct 20, 2022.

Motion made by Ms. Simoncelli to approve the Minutes from April 15, 2021 and seconded by Mr. Hillman. Motion unanimously approved.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:16pm on a motion by Mr. Hillman, seconded by Ms. Simoncelli and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn Hillman, Acting Clerk