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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, December 21, 2023** at the First Congregational Church, Pilgrim House, 21 Torrington Road, Litchfield, Connecticut. The hearings were called to order by Chairman, Julia Metcalf, at 7:00pm.

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

Also present were Cassie Simoncelli, Sean Fogarty, Cleve Fuessenich, John Kinnear, Jill Musselman, John Lamb, and Jacob Schneider.

Mr. Hillman, Clerk, 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 December 15, 2023 in the Republican American, Application #2448, Litchfield Housing Trust, 48 Torrington Rd., for extension on the timeframe for repairing the front porch, to remove the back porch and replace with stairs for second floor access, to repair drainage at cellar door and extend parking area, and to add stone wall of native stone, convened at 7:00pm. The Commission reviewed the application with Jill Musselman, Executive Director, Litchfield Housing Trust.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:03pm.

2. The public hearing, published December 15, 2023 in the Republican American, Application #2249, Rabbi Joseph Eisenback, 69 West St., to add a sign for the synagogue and remove the old sign, convened at 7:04pm. The Commission reviewed the application. Application has been held over until the next meeting on January 4, 2024, pending design adjustment for height of the sign.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:04pm.

3. The public hearing, published December 15, 2023 in the Republican American, Application #2450, Anthony Champalimaud, 115 North St., to expand footprint of cedar fence around HVAC and propane tanks, convened at 7:05pm. The Commission reviewed the application with John Kinnear, Architect.

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There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:07pm.

4. The public hearing, published December 15, 2023 in the Republican American, Application #2451, John Lamb, 42 Tannery Brook Rd, to add solar panels to the roof, convened at 7:08pm. The Commission reviewed the application with Jacob Schneider from Earthlight Technologies and the homeowner John Lamb.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:11pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn Hillman, Clerk

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The **Regular Meeting** of the Borough of Litchfield Historic District Commission was held at the First Congregational Church, Pilgrim House, 21 Torrington Rd, Litchfield, Connecticut on **Thursday, December 21, 2023.**

I. Call To Order

Chairman Metcalf called the meeting to order at 7:12pm.

II. Recording of Attendance

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

Also present were Cassie Simoncelli, Jill Musselman, Sean Fogarty, Jacob Schneider, John Lamb, John Kinnear, and Cleve Fuessenich.

III. Business Pertaining To Certificates of Appropriateness

1. Application #2448, Litchfield Housing Trust, 48 Torrington Rd., to extend the timeframe for repairing the front porch, to remove the back porch and replace with stairs for second floor access, to repair drainage at cellar door and extend parking area, and to add stone wall of native stone. Ms. Simoncelli made a motion to approve the application as submitted and seconded by Mr. Cecchinato. 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.

2. Application #2449, Rabbi Joseph Eisenbach, 69 West St., to add a sign for the synagogue and remove the old sign. Application has been held over until the next meeting on January 4, 2024, pending design adjustment for height of the sign.
3. Application #2450, Anthony Champalimaud, 115 North St., to expand footprint of cedar fence around HVAC and propane tanks. Mr. Hillman

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made a motion to approve the application as submitted and seconded by Ms. Simoncelli. 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.

4. Application #2451, John Lamb, 42 Tannery Brook Rd., to add solar panels to the roof. Mr. Cecchinato made a motion to approve the application as submitted and seconded by Mr. Hillman. 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.

IV. Other Business Public Participation

A. Applications

1. Application #2452, Borough of Litchfield, East Green, to repair and relocate the Beecher monument. The Commission reviewed the application with Sean Fogarty, a member of the Beecher Subcommittee of the Litchfield Patriots Group.
2. Application #2453, Anthony Champalimaud, 115 North St, to add dormer to the roof of the carriage house. The Commission reviewed the application with John Kinnear, Architect.
3. Cleve Fuessenich asked questions on behalf of homeowner Lisa Cowell regarding 73 North Street and reorienting the driveway.
4. Application #2454, Zach and Rich Miller-Murphy, 79 East Street, to change front asphalt walkway to pea stone walkway. The Commission reviewed the application.

B. Other business

V. Correspondence

The Commission reviewed addresses that need follow up on for changes that were not applied for.

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VI. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the Minutes from December 07, 2023 with minor changes made by Ms. Simoncelli and seconded by Mr. Hillman. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm on a motion by Ms. Simoncelli, seconded by Mr. Cecchinato, and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn Hillman, Clerk