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BOROUGH OF LITCHFIELD HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION Litchfield, Connecticut 06759

The Borough of Litchfield Historic District Commission held **Public Hearings** on **Thursday, October 17, 2024** at the Pilgrim House, First Congregational Church, 21 Torrington Road, Litchfield, Connecticut. The hearings were called to order by Chairman, Julia Metcalf, at 7:00 pm.

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

Also present were: Bob Whelan, Mike LoRusso, Paul Mitchell, Kevin LeManquais, and Robyn Ryle.

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

1. The public hearing published October 11, 2024 in the Republican American, Application #2537, Lori and Bill Lamoreaux, 59 North St, to replace driveway and sidewalk, convened at 7:01 pm. Applicants were unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Hillman volunteered to take photos of the house, driveway and sidewalk to help complete the application. The Commission will hold over this public hearing until the next meeting on November 7, 2024.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:01 pm.

2. The public hearing published October 11, 2024 in the Republican American, Application #2538, Stephanie Ruddy, 128 West St, to install solar panels on roof, convened at 7:02 pm. The Commission reviewed the application.

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

3. The public hearing published October 11, 2024 in the Republican American, Application #2539, Janet and Michael LoRusso, 215 Old South Rd, to replace windows, convened at 7:04 pm. The Commission reviewed the application with the applicant, Mike LoRusso.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

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4. The public hearing published October 11, 2024 in the Republican American, Application #2540, Grace Powers, 51 Sheldon Lane, to replace roof, replace windows and remove storm windows, convened at 7:05 pm. The Commission reviewed the application with Paul Mitchell, Contractor.

There being no further members of the public present to speak in regard to the application, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:06 pm.

5. Application #2541, Wolf Boehme and Paige Davison, 110 Prospect St, to rebuild stone wall and add bluestone caps on the columns, convened at 7:07 pm. 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 7:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn Hillman, Clerk

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The **Regular Meeting** of the Borough of Litchfield Historic District Commission was held at the Pilgrim House, First Congregational Church, 21 Torrington Rd, Litchfield, Connecticut on **Thursday, October 17, 2024.**

I. Call To Order

Chairman Metcalf called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

II. Recording of Attendance

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

Also present were: Bob Whelan, Mike LoRusso, Paul Mitchell, Kevin LeManquais, and Robyn Ryle.

III. Business Pertaining To Certificates of Appropriateness

1. Application #2537, Lori and Bill Lamoreaux, 59 North St, to replace driveway and sidewalk. This application is held over to the next meeting on November 7, 2024, pending receiving the photos for the file.
2. Application #2538, Stephanie Ruddy, 128 West St, to install solar panels on roof. Ms. Simoncelli made a motion to approve the application as submitted and Mr. Cecchinato seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

The votes were: Hillman – yea, Cecchinato – yea, Simoncelli - yea.

A Certificate of Appropriateness is hereby issued for work described in said application as stipulated and is valid for one year from approval.

3. Application #2539, Janet and Michael LoRusso, 215 Old South Rd., to replace windows. Mr. Hillman made a motion to approve the application as submitted and Ms. Simoncelli seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

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The votes were: Hillman – yea, Cecchinato – yea, Simoncelli - yea.

A Certificate of Appropriateness is hereby issued for work described in said application as stipulated and is valid for one year from approval.

4. Application #2540, Grace Powers, 51 Sheldon Lane, to replace roof, replace windows and remove storm windows. Mr. Cecchinato made a motion to approve the application as submitted and Mr. Hillman seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

The votes were: Hillman – yea, Cecchinato – yea, Simoncelli - yea.

A Certificate of Appropriateness is hereby issued for work described in said application as stipulated and is valid for one year from approval.

5. Application #2541, Wolfe Boehme and Paige Davison, 110 Prospect St, to rebuild stone wall and add bluestone caps on the columns. Ms. Simoncelli made a motion to approve the application, with discussion. Mr. Hillman seconded. Discussion ensued about whether caps existed on the walls originally. Pictures show no appearance of caps. Ms. Metcalf stated fieldstone walls do not typically have blue stone caps. Mr. Hillman suggested to continue the discussion and request homeowner to be present. The discussion and vote is held over to the next meeting on November 7, 2024.

IV. Other Business –

1. Public Participation:

Mr. Hillman made a motion to swear in Lyman (Bob) Whelan as a newly appointed Alternate Commission member. Mr. Cecchinato seconded. Robyn Ryle, as Assistant Town Clerk for the Town of Litchfield swore in Bob Whelan as an Alternate Member for the Historic District Commission for the Borough of Litchfield.

Ms. Simoncelli made a motion to seat Mr. Whelan as a full member for the rest of this meeting. Mr. Hillman seconded. All in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

- A. Review and /or acceptance of new applications.

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1. Application # 2542, Jan Nelson, 10 Cobble Court, to install a new electrical service. The Commission reviewed the application with Kevin LeManquais, Contractor.
2. Waiver, Wilfred and Rebecca Parilla, 75 Meadow Street, to repoint chimney, reinstall chimney cap, and replace flashing. The Commission reviewed the application.

Mr. Ambrose-Sauer entered the meeting at 7:25pm. Bob Whelan sat in as an Alternate Commissioner.

2. Any other business that may properly come before the Commission.

Ms. Simoncelli made an extra set of keys for file cabinets. The keys will be stored in the large metal closet.

Approval of the 2025 Schedule of HDC meetings will be added as an agenda item for the November 7, 2024 meeting.

V. Correspondence:

Review of Compliance Violation Notices:

170 East St., Repaving behind house, send 2nd notice, from Borough Attorney

76 East St., Repaving driveway, send 1st notice, from HDC

134 East St., Chimney repair, send 1st notice, from HDC

252 Meadow St., removal of front carport, installation of new pavers in walkway and re-point stonewall, send 2nd notice, from Borough Attorney

VI. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the Minutes from October 3, 2024 meeting to be held over to the next meeting on November 7, 2024.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Simoncelli to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Hillman and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm.

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Glenn Hillman, Clerk