

**Township of Bloomfield  
Historic Preservation Commission  
Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, August 17, 2021  
Meeting Held Remotely Via Zoom  
Meeting commenced at approximately 7:00 PM**

**I. Call to Order:**

**A.** Reading of the Open Public Meetings Act.

**B.** Roll Call:

In attendance via Zoom were Chairman Gregory Babula, Vice Chairwoman Ann Hardy and Commissioners John DeBold, Ken Kenna, Karin Robinson, Peter Syak, Ruth Hodson and Mark Szep. Commissioner Joseph Barry was absent.

Also in attendance via Zoom:

Patrick McNamara, Esq. for William C. Sullivan, Jr., Esq., Commission Attorney

Bonnie N. Flynn, Planning Director

Anyela Lopez, Commission Secretary

Applicants (listed below)

\*\*Agenda presented out of order, it was presented as follows:

**II. New Business:**

Applications:

1. Application from Dorrine Mendoza and Stephen Ralston regarding 7 Church Street to replace the roof on their property. The Commission heard testimony from the property owners Ms. Medoza and Mr. Raslton. The applicants testified that they propose to replace the existing roof shingles. The existing roof shingles will be taken off and any damaged particle board will be replaced. The Commission concluded that the proposed roof repair will not impact the historic character of the area. A motion to approve the application as submitted was made by Chairwoman Hardy, seconded by Commissioner Hodson, and all other members present were in favor of the motion.

2. Application from Blaise Pierre-Louis regarding 38 Beach Street to replace the siding on his property. The Commission heard testimony from the property owner Mr. Pierre-Louis. The applicant testified that he replaced the existing siding on the house with Certain Teed double 5” clapboard in Savannah Wicker Style. Mr. Pierre-Louis also testified that he replaced the windows and removed the shutters on the second floor and intends to replace the first floor windows. This replacement of windows and shutters will be addressed in a subsequent application to be filed with the Commission. The Commission concluded that the siding replacement will not impact the historic character of the area. A motion to approve the application as submitted was made by Commissioner Syak, seconded by Commissioner Kenna, and all other members present were in favor of the motion.

3. Application from Adam Jimenez-Schulman regarding 11 Elm Street for the installation of an A/C Unit Condenser. The Commission heard testimony from the property owner Cassandra Jimenez. Ms. Jimenez testified that they want to install a condenser on the north side of the property, not visible from the street. The Commission concluded that the installation of this condenser will not impact the historic character of the area. A motion to approve the application as submitted was made by Commissioner Szep, seconded by Commissioner Syak, and all other members present were in favor of the motion.

4. Application from Yashano Suyunov regarding 343 Belleville Avenue to repave the parking lot and repair and replace the sidewalk and apron of the property. The Commission heard testimony from the property owner

Mr. Suyunov and his Contractor, Angelo Crincoli. The applicant testified that he wants to repave the parking lot. The stormwater will be managed with an upgraded drainage system. Mr. Suyunov also testified that he wants to repair and replace the sidewalk and apron. The Commission concluded that the repaving of the parking and replacing of the sidewalk and apron will not impact the historic character of the area. A motion to approve the application as submitted was made by Commissioner Syak, seconded by Commissioner Hodson, and all other members present were in favor of the motion.

5. Application from Natalya Novohatko regarding 35 Monroe Place for the removal of a chain linked fence, extending the back lawn by removing asphalt, installation of pavers to lawn, vinyl siding replacement, replacement of all windows, adding of new windows, installation of three (3) skylights, replacement of entry doors, and installation of a metal gate along the driveway. The Commission heard testimony from the property owners and concluded to adjourn the application. A motion to adjourn the application was made by Chairwoman Hardy, seconded by Commissioner Szep, and all other members present were in favor of the motion. The owners were asked to provide additional details regarding the windows and light fixtures they want to replace/add and will be placed on September 21<sup>st</sup> agenda.

6. Application from Marie J. Desanges regarding 8 Oakland Avenue for a sidewalk and driveway repair and adding a shed to her property. The Commission heard testimony from the property owner Ms. Desanges and Contractor, Jean Napoleon. The applicant agreed to reposition any salvageable blue stone slabs along the frontage such that they extend across the front of the lawn up to the approximate position of where the front entry walkway is located and from that point proceeding west across the driveway shall be replaced with concrete in a blue-grey tint to match the existing bluestone slabs. The Chairman determined that the request for approval of the driveway and temporary shed is not within the Commission's jurisdiction. A motion to approve the application was made by Commissioner Kenna, seconded by Chairman Babula, and all other members present were in favor of the motion.

**III. Committee Reports:**

- a. HPC Ordinance Review – No update
- b. Historic Survey – As per Kristen Herrick from RGA, they are working on the remaining survey forms and plan on completing the survey by late October. Ms. Herrick is also planning a site visit in the next few weeks to Halcyon Park.

**IV. Resolutions:**

No resolutions to present.

**V. Approval of Minutes:**

Approval of minutes from the June 15, 2021 meeting. Motion made by Commissioner Szep, seconded by Commissioner DeBold. All members were in favor.

**VI. Public Comment:**

No one from the public in attendance.

**VII. Adjournment:**

There being no further business, Commissioner DeBold made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Szep seconded the motion, and all present unanimously approved at approximately 8:46 PM.