

**MINUTES OF THE
MENDHAM BOROUGH
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
November 21, 2011
Phoenix House, 2 West Main Street, Mendham, NJ**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was called to order by Vice Chair Nicholson at 7:30 p.m. at the Phoenix House, 2 West Main Street, Mendham, NJ.

CHAIR'S OPENING STATEMENT

Notice of this meeting was published in the Observer Tribune and Daily Record on January 27, 2011 in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act and posted on the bulletin board of the Phoenix House on the same date.

ATTENDANCE

Ms. C. Jones-Curl – Absent
Mr. N. Cusano – Present
Mr. M. Furgueson – Present
Mr. C. Nicholson - Present

Mr. M. Zedalis – Absent
Mr. J. Dannebaum, Alternate I – Present
Ms. Susan Carpenter, Alternate II- Present

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MINUTES

Mr. Cusano made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 17, 2011 as written. Ms. Carpenter seconded. All members being in favor, the minutes were approved.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Vice Chair Nicholson opened the meeting to comments by the public on anything that was not on the agenda. There being none, the public session was closed.

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APPLICATIONS

HC 20-11: **Foot Candy, LLC**– Review of Signs
Block 601, Lot 2, 4 East Main St.

Present: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Thomas, Applicant

The applicant had provided a description of the project including color photographs and diagrams of the proposed signage with their application dated October 6, 2011.

Commission reviewed the application and the colored pictures with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, and requested clarification of the sign post material as the application presented two posts similar in design and shape, but one of wood and the other of aluminum. While the Commission had no issue with either one, they preferred the wrought iron/metal as it would be in keeping with the spirit of other signs along Main Street.

There was no public present for comment.

Mr. Nicholson made the motion to approve the application with a metal post. Mr. Furgueson seconded.

ROLL CALL: The result of the roll call was 5 to 0 as follows:

In Favor: Cusano, Furgueson, Nicholson, Dannebaum, Carpenter
Opposed: None
Abstentions: None

The motion carried. Ms. Callahan will prepare a letter of approval with copies to the Zoning Officer and Construction Official.

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**HC 21-11: St. Marks Church– Review of Signs
Block 1501, Lot 9, 9 East Main Street**

Present: Mr. Adam Maurer, Representing Applicant

The applicant had provided a description of the project including color photographs of the proposed change in signage with their application dated November 10, 2011.

Mr. Maurer explained that this application is not developing or creating new signs. It is only changing the location of existing signs. The sign currently located by the back entrance will be moved to the front, and the sign currently in the front of the church to the back. The sign that is currently located in the back was the original front sign. The location and set back of the replaced signs will be the same. Commission noted that the sign currently located in the back to be brought to the front was a more attractive and appropriate design.

The Commission discussed the positioning of the signs and whether they should be parallel or perpendicular to the street. They would consider approval of the application as long as sign positioning fit into any municipal ordinances on this matter. As free standing signs are usually approved during the site plan process, this was not an issue for the Historic Preservation Commission to evaluate at this time.

There was no public present for comment.

Mr. Nicholson made the motion to approve the application, Mr. Cusano seconded.

ROLL CALL: The result of the roll call was 5 to 0 as follows:

In Favor: Cusano, Furgueson, Nicholson, Dannebaum, Carpenter
Opposed: None
Abstentions: None

The application was approved. Ms. Callahan will prepare a letter of approval with copies to the Zoning Officer and the Construction Official.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional business to come before the Commission, on motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m. The next meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission will be held on Monday, December 19, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at the Phoenix House, 2 West Main St., Mendham, NJ.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diana Callahan
Recording Secretary

