

**BOROUGH OF MENDHAM
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 17, 2022
REGULAR MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE

The regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission was called to order at 7:30PM and the open public meetings statement was read into the record.

ATTENDANCE

Mr. Encin – Present	Mr. Van Arsdale – Present
Mr. Maresca – Present	Mr. Tosso - Alternate #1:– Absent
Ms. Shafran – Present	Mr. Mullany - Alternate #2: Absent
Ms. Rodrigues - Absent	

Also present: Mr. Germinario – Commission Attorney

MINUTES:

Mr. Van Arsdale asked for comments on the minutes of the regular meeting of September 19, 2022. Ms. Shafran made a motion to approve the minutes as written and Mr. Encin seconded.

Roll Call: The result of the roll call was 3 to 0 as follows:

In favor:	Mr. Van Arsdale, Mr. Encin, Ms. Shafran and Mr. Maresca
Opposed:	None
Abstentions:	None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chairman Van Arsdale opened the meeting to the public for questions and comments on items not included on the agenda. There being none, the public session was closed.

APPLICATIONS:

- a) HPC #18-22
Christina Klausner
2 Hilltop Rd
Block 1501 Lot 1
Present: Ms. Klausner - Applicant

Ms. Klausner summarized the application to install a sign at 2 Hilltop Rd that will be the same size as the existing. Mr. Van Arsdale asked if the sign was going to be vinyl applied to the PVC. Ms. Klausner stated that that was correct. Mr. Germinario asked if there was any lighting associated with the sign and Ms. Klausner stated that there was not. Ms. Shafran asked if the previous sign was the same material as proposed. Ms. Klausner stated that the previous sign was sandblasted. Mr. Maresca asked if the sign was made up of individual lettering or if it was one solid piece. Ms. Klausner explained that the proposed sign is applied graphics that is one sticker sheet. Mr. Van Arsdale explained that the HPC typically likes to see signage in the Historic District with carved PVC or sandblasted. Ms. Klausner stated that the reasoning for the proposed choice was because the carved was twice the price and she is a new business. Ms. Klausner stated that she was willing to delay putting up a sign for a few months until she could afford the carved sign. Mr. Van Arsdale stated that not all signs in the Borough are carved and may have been installed prior to the forming of the Commission. Ms. Klausner stated that the company she is using has done signs for other businesses in the Borough.

Motion was made by Mr. Van Arsdale, seconded by Ms. Shafran to approve the application with the following condition:

1. Applicant must submit color choice for approval.

Roll Call: The result of the roll call was 4 to 0 as follows:

In favor: Mr. Van Arsdale, Mr. Encin, Ms. Shafran, and Mr. Maresca
Abstentions: None

The motion carried.

DISCUSSION/MISCELLANEOUS:

1. Mr. Van Arsdale mentioned that the gate design that the Harrington application submitted and asked that it be sent to the group to vote electronically. Mr. Maresca stated that he thinks that the gate was installed.
2. Letters to Residents
 - a. Ms. Smith stated that she spoke with the Administrator and found that the next tax bill is in July and can be put in with them or the Commission can send out a mailer on its own. Ms. Shafran suggested putting the letter in the Messenger.
3. Mr. Van Arsdale asked if the Commission is able to discuss previous applications and Mr. Germinario explained that unless it is on the agenda and the applicant is present, the application can not be discussed.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no additional business, Mr. Van Arsdale made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Encin seconded. On a voice vote, all were in favor. Mr. Van Arsdale adjourned the meeting at 8:15 PM.

The next meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission will be held on Monday, November 21, 2022 at 7:30PM at the Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson Street, Mendham, NJ.

Respectfully Submitted,
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