BOROUGH OF MENDHAM HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE JULY 18, 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 – Absent Mr. Van Arsdale – Present

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

Ms. Rodrigues - Absent

Also present: Mr. Germinario – Commission Attorney

MINUTES:

Mr. Van Arsdale asked for comments on the minutes of the regular meeting of June 20, 2022. There being no corrections, Mr. Mullany made a motion to approve the minutes as written and Mr. Van Arsdale seconded.

Roll Call: The result of the roll call was 2 to 0 as follows:

In favor: Mr. Van Arsdale and Mr. Mullany

Opposed: None

Abstentions: Ms. Shafran and Mr. Tosso

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:

HPC #10-22 Bruin & Sons Landscaping 9 West Main St. Block 301 Lot 36

Present: Mr. Matthew Bruin- Applicant Mr. Michael Bruin - Applicant

Mr. Bruin summarized the application to install a sign at 9 West Main St. Mr. Van Arsdale explained that the HPC looks at the appearance and materials of the signs that will be placed in the Historic District. Mr. Mullany stated that this application looks like others that have been approved in the past.

Motion was made by Mr. Tosso, seconded by Ms. Shafran to approve the application as submitted.

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

In favor: Mr. Van Arsdale, Ms. Shafran, Mr. Tosso, and Mr. Mullany

Opposed: None Abstentions: None

The motion carried.

HPC#11-22 Mendham Borough Library 11 Hilltop Rd. Block 1501 Lot 37

Present: Ms. Munley – Applicant

Ms. Harrington – Landscape Designer

Ms. Munley summarized the reasoning for the proposed project for the outdoor learning space. Ms. Harrington summarized the materials and plans submitted for the outdoor learning space. Mr. Van Arsdale asked if all of the landscaping proposed will be on the side that borders Hilltop School. Ms. Harrington explained the location of the plantings. Mr. Van Arsdale asked if they were going to repurpose or replace the shed. Ms. Munley stated that it would be replaced. Mr. Van Arsdale asked if they anticipated changing the grade on the side of the building. Ms. Harrington stated that the wall proposed would hold the grade. Mr. Mullany asked if there were any changes being proposed for the gutters that come off of the building. Ms. Harrington stated that presently the leader drains are tied to a drain in the front. Ms. Munley stated that there have not been any water issues on that side of the building in the past. Mr. Van Arsdale stated that when the ground is covered, the water will need to go somewhere, and that the contractor would know what is best to do. Mr. Van Arsdale stated that what is proposed enhances the look of the building and is a nice-looking project. Mr. Tosso stated that he appreciated the care that was taken in the plans. Ms. Shafran asked if there was any plan to put tables on the larger area. Ms. Munley stated that the proposed use of the larger area would be for crafts.

Motion was made by Mr. Mullany, seconded by Ms. Shafran to approve the application as submitted.

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

In favor: Mr. Van Arsdale, Ms. Shafran, Mr. Tosso, and Mr. Mullany

Opposed: None Abstentions: None

The motion carried.

DISCUSSION/MISCELLANEOUS:

Discussion of the Suggested Materials List for Signs is tabled until the next meeting. Ms. Shafran asked if there was an application for the new barber? Ms. Smith will look into and advise at the next meeting. Ms. Shafran asked about a post at the place discussed in the past, 21 East Main St. and was wondering if there was an application. Ms. Smith stated that an application has not been submitted. Mr. Van Arsdale gave an update on the projects on Adams and on New St.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no additional business, Ms. Shafran made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Mullany seconded. On a voice vote, all were in favor. Mr. Van Arsdale adjourned the meeting at 8:20 PM.

The next meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission will be held on Monday, August 15, 2022 at 7:30PM at the Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson Street, Mendham, NJ.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa J. Smith

Land Use Coordinator