

**BOROUGH OF WEST CAPE MAY
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
APRIL 7, 2022**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the West Cape May Historic Preservation Commission was held on this date at the West Cape May Borough Hall. Jim Barnes, David DeTorre, Susan Hoffman, Loretta Saggiomo and Barbara Tillman were in attendance. Ami Menz and Elan Zingman-Leith were excused. Mayor Carol Sabo, Architects Lou DeLosso and Pam Fine, Attorney Jeffrey Barnes, Mary Ellen McNally and Richard Skydell were also present.

Jim Barnes, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and announced that the meeting was being recorded and that it was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975, as it was advertised in the Star and Wave on January 12, 2022. Susan Hoffman and Barbara Tillman were eligible to vote for absent members.

MINUTES: Minutes of March 10, 2022, were read and approved with one correction on the motion of Ms. Tillman and Mr. Barnes. Stonis information should read “crushed stone and concrete.”

APPLICATIONS: On a roll call vote on the unanimously approved motion of Ms. Saggiomo and Ms. Hoffman, Application #22-13 for a Permit for Minor Work was approved for David LeTorre to install cedar privacy fencing on the side and rear of his property at 130 Emerald Avenue. There was no public comment.

On a roll call vote on the unanimously approved motion of Ms. Hoffman and Ms. Tillman, Application #22-14 for a Permit for Minor Work was approved for concept design for Lynne Mastrilli to replace entry steps at the rear and front of her contributing home at 523 Broadway, with wood steps and railings. A drawing of the design shall be submitted to an HPC committee for approval. There was no public comment.

Application #22-15 for a Permit for Minor Work for Lynne Mastrilli to install fencing and an outside shower at her contributing property, 523 Broadway, was tabled to the May meeting, as no site plan was submitted.

Application #22-16 for a Permit for Minor Work for Phil and Marian Courtney to install fencing at their non-contributing property, 104 Second Avenue, was tabled to the May meeting, as no site plan was submitted.

On a roll call vote on the unanimously approved motion of Mr. Barnes and Mr. DeTorre, Application #22-17 for a Permit for Minor Work was denied for Brian McCarthy to install solar panels on his contributing home at 141 Pearl Avenue. The project is in violation, as it was completed without a permit and the location of the panels is inappropriate. The applicant will be asked to submit a new plan. There was no public comment.

On a roll call vote on the unanimously approved motion of Mr. Barnes and Ms. Tillman, Application #22-18 for a Permit for Minor Work was approved for Mary Ellen McNally to install fencing at her contributing property 133 Eldredge Avenue. Ms. McNally agreed to use wood materials in place of the vinyl fencing requested. She will submit an updated site plan and photos or catalog cuts of the fencing to be installed. There was no public comment.

On a roll call vote on the unanimously approved motion of Ms. Saggiomo and Mr. DeTorre, Application #22-19 for a Certificate of Appropriation was approved for Richard Skydell to make various renovations and alterations, per the submitted architectural drawings, to his

contributing property at 112-114 Second Avenue. Louis DeLosso, The Design Collaborative, presented the project with Jeffrey P. Barnes, Barnes Law Group. There were a number of needed clarifications to the materials list. Mr. Barnes indicated that a clean rendering of the requests will be submitted to the zoning office. There was no public comment.

On a roll call vote on the approved motion of Mr. Barnes and Ms. Hoffman, Application #22-20 for a Certificate of Appropriation for John and Carol Reckner to make various changes, per the submitted architectural drawings, to their contributing property at 113 Myrtle Avenue. Pam Fine, Fine Architecture, presented the project. *The Roll Call Vote:* J. Barnes – No; D. DeTorre – Yes; S. Hoffman – Yes; L. Saggiomo – Yes; B. Tillman – Yes; There was discussion as to the appropriateness of changing the roof line of a contributing home. The applicant will submit a catalog cut for proposed lighting. There was no public comment.

PLANNING/ZONING APPLICATIONS: There were no applications presented for review.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The Statement of Significance prepared by Elan Zingman-Leith will be discussed at the meeting of the Borough Council on Wednesday, April 13, 2022. Mayor Sabo invited HPC members to attend.

Borough Ordinance No. 609-22 regarding amendments to the definitions section of the HP Ordinance will become effective on April 12, 2022.

It was determined that no change be made to the Fence Guidelines at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

INFORMAL DISCUSSION: Ms. Sabo and the members discussed the importance of vendors/applicants providing complete applications, particularly the inclusion of site plans, and the need for applicants to attend the HPC meetings so that clarification of issues can be readily obtained.

ADJOURNMENT: On the roll call vote on the unanimously approved motion of Ms. Hoffman and Ms. Tillman, the meeting adjourned at 8:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Loretta F. Saggiomo, Secretary