

Lincoln Historical Commission
Historic District Commission
Brown's Wood Historic District Commission
Virtual Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 6, 2020

Board Members: Andrew Glass, Chair, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Andy Ory, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Bob Domnitz, HDC/BWHDC; Lynn DeLisi, HDC/BWHDC; Gary Anderson, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Christopher Boit, HDC/LHC/BWHDC
Alternates: Frank Clark, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Allen Vander Meulen, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Judith Lawler, Alternate, HDC/LHC/BWHDC
(Member not available: Doug Adams, HDC/LHC/BWHDC)

The virtual meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will be Thursday, November 5, 2020, at 7:30 p.m.

Historic District Commission:

Certificate of Appropriateness:

16 Lincoln Road – Valerie Fox, Town Clerk, came before the Historic District Commission (HDC) for approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of a secure drop box at Town Offices. The drop box is for use by Town residents for correspondence with the Town, including returning absentee ballots. The Commonwealth has provided the funding for the installation of such drop boxes. Mrs. Fox described the proposed placement of the drop box, namely, adjacent to the portion of the sidewalk at the rear of Town Offices that is proximate to the accessible parking spaces. Allen Vander Meulen made a motion to approve the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of the drop box as discussed at the October 6, 2020 meeting and as shown in the photographs of the drop box and proposed location as presented to the Commission. Frank Clark seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Frank Clark – aye, Lynn DeLisi – aye, Bob Domnitz – aye, Allen Vander Meulen – aye; Andy Ory – aye, Gary Anderson – aye, Judith Lawler – aye, Andrew Glass – aye.

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Certificate of Appropriateness:

26 Laurel Drive – John and Jessica Jacobs came before the Brown's Wood Historic District Commission (BWHDC) for a continuation of the hearing on their application for a Certificate of Appropriateness to construct a studio shed. At the September 1, 2020 hearing, the Jacobs had agreed to explore an alternative site for the proposed shed that would meet their needs and that would be less visible to neighbors. The Jacobs reported that after meeting with neighbors Jason Kass and Courtney Bernasconi of 11 Moccasin Hill and Alan Berger and Elaine Reiter of 30 Laurel Drive, the Jacobs had selected a new location. The Jacobs presented a site plan showing the new placement of the shed and photographs of a mock-up of the shed. They indicated that the shed will not have an fenestration facing 11 Moccasin Hill. The Jacobs will add plantings to screen the shed from neighbors and the street. Jason Kass stated that he appreciated the Jacobs' response to the BWHDC's comments at the initial hearing and appreciated the proposed new location and proposed plantings. Ms. Reiter concurred. Frank Clark made a motion to approve the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the studio shed in the new location as discussed at the October 6, 2020 meeting and as shown in the site plan and photographs presented to the Commission. Allen Vander Meulen seconded the motion. Bob Domnitz made a motion to amend the primary motion to include requirements that the Jacobs submit a plan showing the proposed plantings and that the Commission's approval is contingent on the Jacobs receiving approval from other Town boards. Frank Clark seconded the motion to amend. Roll Call Vote for original motion and amendment: Frank

Clark – aye, Lynn DeLisi – aye, Bob Domnitz – aye, Allen Vander Meulen – aye; Christopher Boit – aye, Andy Ory – aye, Gary Anderson – aye, Judith Lawler – aye, Andrew Glass – aye.

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Certificates of Non-Applicability:

15 Lincoln Road – Robert Soluri and Deanna Mori came before the HDC for approval of a Certificate of Non-Applicability to remove the existing cedar shakes and replace with like cedar shakes on the dwelling. Andy Ory made a motion to approve the issuance of a Certificate of Non-Applicability to remove and replace with like cedar shakes on the dwelling. Lynn DeLisi seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Frank Clark – aye, Lynn DeLisi – aye, Bob Domnitz – aye, Allen Vander Meulen – aye; Christopher Boit – aye, Andy Ory – aye, Gary Anderson – aye, Judith Lawler – aye, Andrew Glass – aye.

68 Baker Bridge Road – Betsy Holland, Preservation Manager of Historic New England, came before the HDC for approval of a Certificate of Non-Applicability to replace the tar and gravel roof on the porch at the Gropius House with a new like roof and to install a new like drip edge and new like metal scuppers. Ms. Holland stated that the existing porch roof was last replaced in 1998 and has reached the end of its useful life as illustrated in photographs presented to the Commission. Historic New England will match the type of gravel used as closely as possible. The profile of the new roof and drip edge will match that of the existing roof and drip edge. Christopher Boit made a motion to approve the issuance of a Certificate of Non-Applicability for the replacement of the tar and gravel porch roof, and related drip edge and scuppers, with like materials as discussed at the October 6, 2020 meeting and as shown in the photographs presented to the Commission. Allen Vander Meulen seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Frank Clark – aye, Lynn DeLisi – aye, Bob Domnitz – aye, Allen Vander Meulen – aye; Christopher Boit – aye, Andy Ory – aye, Gary Anderson – aye, Judith Lawler – aye, Andrew Glass – aye.

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Presentation:

11 Moccasin Hill Road – Jason Kass and Courtney Bernasconi came before the Lincoln Historical Commission (LHC) for an informal review of a proposed demolition of a sunroom, enlargement of the existing kitchen and master bedroom, and construction of outdoor covered shower. Mr. Glass noted that the owners had very kindly offered to join the BWHD, which application would go before Town Meeting in March 2021. Mr. Kass noted that the original house burned down in the mid-1960s. It was rebuilt at the time as the John Hancock Building in Boston, and some of the windows from the Hancock Building were used in the rebuilt house. The Commission members provided comments and noted that they greatly appreciated the owners' collaborative approach to the design process.

Minutes: Frank Clark made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 1, 2020 meeting as written. Christopher Boit seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Frank Clark – aye, Lynn DeLisi – aye, Bob Domnitz – aye, Allen Vander Meulen – aye; Christopher Boit – aye, Andy Ory – aye, Gary Anderson – aye, Judith Lawler – aye, Andrew Glass – aye.

At 8:45, Andy Ory made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lynn DeLisi seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Frank Clark – aye, Lynn DeLisi – aye, Bob Domnitz – aye, Allen Vander Meulen – aye; Christopher Boit – aye, Andy Ory – aye, Gary Anderson – aye, Judith Lawler – aye, Andrew Glass – aye.

Submitted by Elaine Carroll

Approved: November 5, 2020