

Lincoln Historical Commission
Historic District Commission
Brown's Wood Historic District Commission
Virtual Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 2, 2021

Board Members: Andrew Glass, Chair, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Christopher Boit, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Robert Domnitz, HDC/BWHDC; Lynn DeLisi, HDC/BWHDC; Andy Ory, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Gary Anderson, HDC/LHC/BWHDC
Alternates: Frank Clark, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Judith Lawler, Alternate, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Allen Vander Meulen, HDC/LHC/BWHDC
(Member Unavailable: Doug Adams, HDC/LHC/BWHDC)

The virtual meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will be Tuesday, April 6, 2021, at 7:30 p.m.

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2 Sandy Pond Road: Owner Timothy Moynihan and Building Commissioner Mark Robidoux joined the Historic District Commission (HDC) to discuss the condition of the barn on the property. Mr. Moynihan noted that the barn has continued to deteriorate and that he was unable to conduct the agreed-on repairs to the barn because of the pandemic. Mr. Robidoux offered to inspect the barn and to provide an assessment of its condition. Christopher Boit noted his disappointment with the news of the condition of the barn and indicated that from the materials Mr. Moynihan presented, the barn appears to be in a worse condition than when he had previously viewed the barn. The HDC discussed the report from Mr. Moynihan's civil engineer who concluded that based on her recent inspection, it would be extremely expensive and dangerous to try to repair the barn now. Mr. Moynihan will return with a specific proposal of how to take the barn down and with a proposed design for a new barn which he believes could be built from the plans that the HDC had approved in connection with his plan to repair the barn. The HDC will continue the hearing on the status of the barn after it receives further information from Mr. Robidoux and Mr. Moynihan.

Certificates of Appropriateness:

12 Weston Road: Gulrez Arshad came before the HDC for revisions to an approved plan for the carriage house. Mr. Arshad proposed decreasing the number of windows on the second-floor dormer facing his neighbors and to build an exterior staircase for a second egress for the accessory apartment. Mr. Arshad plans to plant very large evergreens as screening between the carriage house and his neighbors. Neighbor David Jacobs of 2 Weston Road note that the second-story dormer overlooks his backyard and swimming pool and would intrude on the privacy of both. The HDC discussed the use of translucent glass in the dormer facing the neighbors, a screen at the top of the exterior stairs, or using a window as egress could be means for reducing the impact of the project on the neighbors. The HDC requested additional information from Mr. Arshad with respect to the proposed location of the air conditioning unit.

Christopher Boit made a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for the changes from 5 windows to 3 windows on the rear dormer using translucent glass and the stairway going up from the front to the back. Lynn DeLisi seconded the motion. Frank Clark made a motion to amend the previous motion to change the stairway to an egress window. Bob Domnitz seconded the amended motion. Roll Call Vote for amendment: Christopher Boit-aye; Lynn DeLisi-nay; Bob Domnitz-aye; Allen Vander Meulen-nay; Garry Anderson-aye; Judith Lawler-nay; Frank Clark-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye. The amended motion passes 6-3. Christopher Boit made a motion to approve the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the changes from 5 windows to 3 windows on the rear dormer with translucent glass and an egress window instead of an outside stairway. Lynn DeLisi seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Christopher Boit- aye; Lynn DeLisi-aye; Bob Domnitz-aye; Frank Clark-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Allen Vander Meulen-aye; Gary Anderson-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye.

48 Bedford Road: Robert Hopkins and Lawrence Howell, Platt Builders, came before the HDC for a Certificate of Appropriateness for proposed renovations to the house. Mr. Howell noted that the owners have proposed replacing 15 windows with Pella architect series, double-hung windows with permanent fixed grills creating the appearance of a true divided light. The new windows would eliminate the need for exterior storm windows. The windows will have wood on the interior and a rot-resistant composite material on the exterior. Mr. Howell said that the owners have also proposed re-roofing the house and garage with architectural asphalt shingles and replacing boards on the rear deck. Frank Clark made a motion to approve the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the new windows, roofing, and deck board replacement as discussed in the HDC meeting. Christopher Boit seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Christopher Boit- aye; Lynn DeLisi-aye; Bob Domnitz-aye; Frank Clark-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Allen Vander Meulen-aye; Gary Anderson-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye.

Minutes: Lynn DeLisi made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 2, 2021 meeting as written. Gary Anderson seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Christopher Boit- aye; Lynn DeLisi-aye; Bob Domnitz-aye; Frank Clark-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Allen Vander Meulen-aye; Gary Anderson-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye.

At 9:20 p.m., Gary Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Allen Vander Meulen seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Christopher Boit- aye; Lynn DeLisi-aye; Bob Domnitz-aye; Frank Clark-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Allen Vander Meulen-aye; Gary Anderson-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye.

Submitted by Elaine Carroll