

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES**

February 4, 2015

This regularly scheduled meeting of the Washington Township Historic Preservation Commission (HPC), advertised in the *Observer Tribune* and the *Daily Record* in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act and posted on the Municipal Building bulletin board and the Washington Township (the Township) website, was called to order at 7:36 by Vice Chairman Fitterer.

Present: Eileen Stokes, Jennifer Gorini, Jim Fitterer, Gregg Forsbrey, Susan Penney, Leah Korbel

Absent: Ed Gagne , Dale Blum

Minutes:

December 3, 2014. Chairman Eileen Stokes moved to accept the minutes as presented. Susan Penney seconded the motion. Eileen Stokes, Jennifer Gorini, Dale Blum, Jim Fitterer, and Gregg Forsbrey unanimously approved the minutes with no abstentions.

Applicants:

- **Tom Besold, 42 Schooleys Mountain Road, German Valley Historic District (GVHD), B25, L46.** This meeting is a public hearing for the addition that Mr. Besold proposes to put on his primary residence located at 42 Schooleys Mountain Road. Chairman Eileen Stokes ensured that everyone present at the meeting had the materials for this project including the site plans. The application was deemed complete. The exterior façade will be painted wood and all architectural details on exterior of the existing house will be carried into the addition. The meeting was opened and closed to the public; no members from the public attended the meeting. Susan Penney made a motion to approve the proposed addition as submitted. Gregg Forsbrey seconded the motion. Eileen Stokes, Jennifer Gorini, Jim Fitterer, Gregg Forsbrey, Susan Penny, and Leah Korbel approved the motion with no abstentions. R-02-02-15.
- **Casey Phillips, TTI Environmental, 26 Pleasant Grove Road, Schooleys Mountain Historic District (SMHD), B30, L34.** The project includes installing an aboveground oil tank and equipment shed. The property is known as the DE Miller House, Inventory #15, and is a contributing property. The area that the oil tank is proposed to be located is not visible to the public and used by the Federal Aviation Administration for a transponder. The project will not be visible from any place to which the public normally has access and, therefore, cannot adversely affect the public interest. On that basis, the HPC granted the COA (Preservation Overlay Ordinance §217-137(F)). R-02-01-15.

Old Business:

- **LED Signs in the historic districts.** Lit signs remain in the district at Long Valley Bagel, Armin Wagner's property, and Long Valley Autoworks. The HPC will take stronger action against these lit signs. Jennifer Gorini will look into Preservation Overlay Ordinance and Washington Township ordinances.
- **Armin Wagner was issued a summons Building Department. Arak, LLC, 10 East Mill, GVHD, B28, L29.** The court date for the summons is Thursday February 5, 2015. He has not completed the property survey. Armin Wagner was issued a summons for installing the black wrought iron fence on the stone wall in the front yard of the property and did not apply for or receive a permit before installing the fence. The metal fence is in violation because it does not meet commercial code although it meets residential code.

New Business:

- **56 Schooleys Mountain Road.** May have been sold recently. Check records and set a new homeowner letter if needed.
- **Upcoming Training Opportunities.** Chairman Eileen Stokes reviewed upcoming training opportunities. As a reminder, all HPC members are required to attend at least one training session per year to maintain our certified local government (CLG) status.
 - **Preservation in Practice: A Primer for Historic Preservation Commissions** March 28, 2015 from 8:30am to 4:00pm at the Kean-Ocean Gateway Building at Ocean County College in Toms River. The workshop fee is \$75 and includes lunch.

Mail Bag:

- See emails on "Small Cell" technology.
- Nominations to the National Trust's 11 Most Endangered list.

Gregg Forsbrey moved to adjourn the meeting. Leah Korbel seconded the motion. Eileen Stokes, Jennifer Gorini, Jim Fitterer, Gregg Forsbrey, Susan Penney, and Leah Korbel unanimously adjourned the meeting at 8:37.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Gorini