

City of Orange Township
Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

July 15, 2020

The Secretary announced that this is a meeting of Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Orange Township held via audio-video conferencing on Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

The Secretary asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Keith Carroll
Commissioner Kathy Dowd
Commissioner Jody Leight
Commissioner Janice Morrell
Commissioner Karen Wells
Commissioner Troy Simmons

Also Present: Joyce L. Lanier, Secretary
Janine Bauer, Esq.
Keith Pressey, Department of Recreation

Absent: Commissioner Brandon Matthews
Commissioner Abdiel Velez

The Secretary announced that the requirement of N.J.S.A. 10:4-9 et. seq., “Sunshine Law” has been met. A notice of this meeting was sent to the Record Transcript on June 9, 2020, published in the Star Ledger on June 12, 2020, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

MEETING MINUTES

- **May 20, 2020 Meeting Minutes** (*Commissioner Simmons was absent and should abstain*)

Motion to adopt by Commissioner Leight, second by Commissioner Carroll.

Roll Call

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>NP</u>
Commissioner Keith Carroll	X				
Commissioner Kathy Dowd	X				
Commissioner Jody Leight	X				
Commissioner Brandon Matthews				X	
Commissioner Janice Morrell	X				
Commissioner Troy Simmons			X		
Commissioner Abdiel Velez				X	
Commissioner Karen Wells	X				

Motion passed.

- **June 17, 2020 Meeting Minutes (Commissioners Carroll, Dowd and Morrell were absent and should abstain)**

Motion to adopt by Commissioner Simmons, second by Commissioner Dowd.

Roll Call

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>NP</u>
Commissioner Keith Carroll			X		
Commissioner Kathy Dowd			X		
Commissioner Jody Leight	X				
Commissioner Brandon Matthews				X	
Commissioner Janice Morrell			X		
Commissioner Troy Simmons	X				
Commissioner Abdiel Velez				X	
Commissioner Karen Wells	X				

Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Secretary read into the record the following Public Hearing Notice:

The public will be allowed to question witnesses testifying on behalf of the Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness, after the presentation is completed and after questions from the Commission. During the public hearing on the Application, the public will be allowed to comment on any new Certificate of Appropriation Application upon completion of the Applicant’s presentation and questions from the Commission. Each person addressing the Commission shall give his or her name and address in an audible tone for the record, and unless further time is granted by the presiding officer shall limit his or her address to five (5) minutes unless the comments are repetitive of other witnesses in which case the presiding officer may further limit the comment period.

NEW BUSINESS

- A) Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 386 Tremont Avenue, Orange, N.J. (Removing deteriorated column and replace with new ones, rebuild new steps, baluster, tile porch, floor brick work around porch. Install windows and porch. Concrete under porch. Replace front door.)**

Ms. Parbattie Sidar testified and provided a detailed description of the work that she would like to get done on her home. |

Commissioner Simmons advised that the Historical Preservation Guidelines recommend replacements be done with like kind materials and not changing the look of the existing porch.

Ms. Sidar testified that she would like to have a fence installed, but the plans were not ready to submit in time nor provided to the HPC. In addition, Ms. Sidar testified she would like to replace her front door with a door she has purchased but has not provided details and/or a photo to the HPC.

The Commissioners requested that the applicant refer to the Historical Preservation Guidelines and return to the HPC with revised plans, photos of the existing front door and proposed door.

Motion to postpone to the next meeting and have the applicant come back with revised plans by Commissioner Leight, second by Commissioner Simmons.

On the motion: The Secretary announced that a HPC meeting is usually not scheduled in August, but due to the COVID 19 she suggested a meeting be scheduled for August 19, 2020.

Roll Call

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>NP</u>
Commissioner Keith Carroll	X				
Commissioner Kathy Dowd	X				
Commissioner Jody Leight	X				
Commissioner Brandon Matthews				X	
Commissioner Janice Morrell	X				
Commissioner Troy Simmons	X				
Commissioner Abdiel Velez				X	
Commissioner Karen Wells	X				

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION

8-2020 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION APPROVING A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS TO NADIA LEANDER FOR HER PROPERTY AT 232 STIRLING AVENUE IN THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, BLOCK 6705, LOT 7, FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM OF PANELS ON THE ROOF (*Commissioners Carroll, Dowd and Morrell were absent and should abstain*)

Motion to adopt by Commissioner Simmons, second by Commissioner Leight.

Roll Call

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>NP</u>
Commissioner Keith Carroll			X		
Commissioner Kathy Dowd			X		
Commissioner Jody Leight	X				
Commissioner Brandon Matthews				X	
Commissioner Janice Morrell			X		
Commissioner Troy Simmons	X				
Commissioner Abdiel Velez				X	
Commissioner Karen Wells	X				

Motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. ZONING OFFICER APPROVAL: None.
2. Keith Pressey, Recreation Supervisor from the Department of Recreation announced the City will be having a bike ride on August 14, 2020 in the City of Orange Township and connect the Historic Preservation. Mr. Pressey respectfully requested the involvement of HPC and the HPC offered their support.

PENDING BUSINESS - None.

Adjourn Meeting:

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Simmons, second by Commissioner Carroll.

Motion was unanimously approved.


Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

**The next Historic Preservation Commission Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 19, 2020
virtually at 7:30 p.m.**

APPROVED:



Joyce L. Lanier
Secretary



Troy Simmons
Chair