

City of Orange Township
Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes

December 18, 2019

The Secretary announced that this is a meeting of Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Orange Township held at City Hall in Council Chambers, 29 North Day Street, Orange, New Jersey on Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at 8:22 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

Also Present: Joyce L. Lanier, Secretary
Janine Bauer, Esq.
Richard Wolff, Zoning Officer

Absent: Commissioner Brandon Matthews
Commissioner Troy Simmons
Commissioner Abdiel Velez
Commissioner Karen Wells

The Secretary stated that the requirement of N.J.S.A. 10:4-9 et. seq., "Sunshine Law" has been met. A notice of this meeting was published in the Record-Transcript, sent to the Star Ledger on December 28, 2018, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

MEETING MINUTES

- **November 20, 2019 Meeting Minutes**
(Commissioners Carroll and Simmons were not in attendance and cannot vote.)

Motion: Commissioner Jody Leight

Second: Commissioner Kathy Dowd

	<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.

- **October 16, 2019 Meeting Minutes (Rescheduled from the November 20, 2019 Agenda)**
(Commissioners Matthews, Morrell, Simmons and Velez were not in attendance and cannot vote.)

Motion: Commissioner Kathy Dowd

Second: Commissioner Jody Leight

	<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.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 21 Prince Street, Orange, N.J. (redo the front stairs)**

Secretary announced that this application will be rescheduled to the January 15, 2020 meeting since applicant did not appear.

- B. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 481 Lincoln Place, Orange, N.J. (request change to previously approved plans – move the stairs to the front of the house)**

Motion: Commissioner Kathy Dowd

Second: Commissioner Jody Leight

	<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

22-2019 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 572 NASSAU STREET, CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., BLOCK 6003, LOT 19 ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO REMOVE DAMAGED SIDING AND REPLACE WITH BRICK ON THE FRONT FAÇADE AND VINYL SIDING ON THE SIDES AND REAR OF THE STRUCTURE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANS SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION. *(Commissioners Matthews, Morrell, Simmons and Velez were not in attendance and cannot vote.)*

Motion: Commissioner Keith Carroll

Second: Commissioner Kathy Dowd

	<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.

23-2019 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 481 LINCOLN PLACE, CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., WHICH IS BLOCK 5902, LOT 17, ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO CONSTRUCT A PARKING SPACE AND DRIVEWAY AND TO PLACE THE ENTRANCE STAIRWAY ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE HOUSE PORCH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLAN SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION. *(Commissioners Matthews, Morrell, Simmons and Velez were not in attendance and cannot vote.)*

Motion: Commissioner Keith Carroll

Second: Commissioner Kathy Dowd

	<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.

24-2019

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 541 FOREST STREET, CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., WHICH IS BLOCK 5101, LOT 7, ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO CONSTRUCT A FOUR-STORY MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL BUILDING WITH PARKING ON THE GROUND FLOOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLAN SET SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION. (Commissioners Matthews, Morrell, Simmons and Velez were not in attendance and cannot vote.)

Motion: Commissioner Kathy Dowd

Second: Commissioner Keith Carroll

	<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.

25-2019

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 179-183 MAIN STREET IN THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY, WHICH IS BLOCK 1902, LOT 17 ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO RENOVATE THIS PROPERTY, CREATE NEW WINDOWS, SIGNAGE, AND SECURITY GATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PHOTOGRAPHS SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION. (Commissioners Matthews, Morrell, Simmons and Velez were not in attendance and cannot vote.)

Motion: Commissioner Jody Leight

Second: Commissioner Keith Carroll

	<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.

26-2019

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 434 HEYWOOD AVENUE, CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., WHICH IS BLOCK 6901, LOT 7 ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO CONSTRUCT A TWO-STORY GARAGE WITH DORMER AND HALF BATHROOM TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT THE REAR OF THE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. (Commissioners Matthews, Morrell, Simmons and Velez were not in attendance and cannot vote.)

Motion: Commissioner Kathy Dowd

Second: Commissioner Keith Carroll

	<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.

27-2019

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 385 LAWRIDGE ROAD, CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., WHICH IS BLOCK 6901, LOT 18, ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO CONSTRUCT A NEW DWELLING AND GARAGE ON VSCAMNT LAND TOGETHER WITH A FRONT CIRCULAR DRIVEWAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLAN SET AND RENDERINGS SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION. (Commissioners Matthews, Morrell, Simmons and Velez were not in attendance and cannot vote.)

Motion: Commissioner Jody Leight

Second: Commissioner Keith Carroll

	<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.

28-2019

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 635 MOSSWOOD AVENUE, CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., WHICH IS BLOCK 6501, LOT 14, ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO INSTALL AND EXTEND A DECORATIVE FENCE ALONG THE DRIVEWAY OF THIS RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPLICATION. (Commissioners Matthews, Morrell, Simmons and Velez were not in attendance and cannot vote.)

Motion: Commissioner Kathy Dowd

Second: Commissioner Keith Carroll

	<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.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. ZONING OFFICER APPROVAL: None.**

IX. PENDING BUSINESS

Commissioner Leight advised the Commission that she was approached by Andrew Devorse who has a property in the Valley Section and he would like to have an informal meeting with the Technical Committee Meeting. Attorney Bauer suggested that Mr. Devorse make a request in writing to the Secretary.

Commissioner Dowd advised the Commission that it seems that the properties located at 410 and 416 Highland Avenue may have been sold because all of the trees have been cut down. Mr. Wolf confirmed that a permit to remove a tree is not required the City of Orange Township does and no redevelopment have been submitted for the properties. The Commissioners discussed their desire for the City to implement a tree preservation ordinance.

Mr. Wolf advised the Commission that he has found a two homes in Orange that are renting as boarding houses. One of the properties in located in the Seven Oaks area.

Adjourn Meeting:


Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Keith Carroll

Second: Commissioner Kathy Dowd

Adjournment Time: 8:43 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 15, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall Council Chamber, 4th floor, Orange, N.J.

APPROVED:



Joyce L. Lanier
Secretary



Keith Carroll
Acting Chair

