

*City of Orange Township  
Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes*

*June 16, 2021*

The Secretary announces that this is a meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission of the City of Orange Township held via audio-video conferencing on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 7:46 p.m.

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

**ROLL CALL**

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

**Also Present:** Joyce L. Lanier, Secretary  
Janine Bauer, Esq.

**Absent:** Commissioner Brandon Matthews  
Commissioner Troy Simmons  
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 Star Ledger, published in the Record Transcript on July 30, 2020 posted on the City’s website ([www.ci.orange.nj.us](http://www.ci.orange.nj.us)) and the Council’s website ([www.orangetwpnjcc.org](http://www.orangetwpnjcc.org)) and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

**MEETING MINUTES**      **None.**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**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 – 381 Berkeley Road, Orange, N.J. (installation of solar panels) (Postponed from the 02/17/2021, 03/17/2021, 04/21/2021 and 05/19/2021 Meetings)**

The Secretary confirmed that the applicant nor contractor attended the meeting. Therefore, the application will be postponed to the, July 21, 2021 meeting.

**B. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 290 Roberts Road (installation of solar panels) (Rescheduled from the 05/19/2021 Meeting)**

The Secretary confirmed that the applicant nor contractor attended the meeting. Therefore, the application will be postponed to the, July 21, 2021 meeting.

**C. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 488 Fairview Avenue (installation of solar panels for right side of the roof) (Rescheduled from the 05/19/2021 Meeting)**

The applicant Daniel McCaffrey gave a description of the project to install solar panels.

**Motion to approve application as submitted: Commissioner Dowd Second: Commissioner Carroll**

***Roll Call Vote***

	<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					
Commissioner Janice Morrell	X			X	
Commissioner Troy Simmons				X	
Commissioner Abdiel Velez				X	
Commissioner Karen Wells	X				

**Motion passed**

**D. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 207 Heywood Avenue (new construction of a one family colonial home)**

The applicants Yuval Wellish and James Pride gave a description of his project of building a Colonial house on an empty lot which will be a one family dwelling. The rear garage will be torn down and rebuilt in the front of the house. Applicant was referred to the Technical Review Committee for design aspects

**Motion to approve Application: Commissioner Morrell Second: Commissioner Dowd**

***Roll Call Vote***

	<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					
Commissioner Janice Morrell	X			X	
Commissioner Troy Simmons				X	

Commissioner Abdiel Velez					X
Commissioner Karen Wells	X				

**Motion passed**

**E. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 510 Valley Street (roof replacement)**

The applicant Diego Tome gave a description of his project to replace the roof at Lady of the Valley Church. Mr. Tome testified that the roof will be replaced with in-kind material (same color)

**Roll Call Vote**

	<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					
Commissioner Janice Morrell	X			X	
Commissioner Troy Simmons				X	
Commissioner Abdiel Velez				X	
Commissioner Karen Wells	X				

**Motion passed**

**F. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 406 Claredon Place (replace front porch steps, deck and railing)**

The applicant Kathy Down gave a description of her project to replace the front porch steps, deck and railing with in-kind materials to match the historic features of the house.

**Motion to approve: Commissioner Morrell      Second: Commissioner Wells**

**Roll Call Vote**

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstained</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>NP</u>
Commissioner Keith Carroll	X				
Commissioner Kathy Dowd			Recuse		
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**

**G. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 720 Mosswood Avenue (add dormer to the front of the house)**

The applicant David Goldstein is the contractor for Eli Simmons the owner of the property. Mr. Goldstein testified that the prior contractor put up the dormer without permits and he was trying to correct the problem. The dormer is already constructed.

**Motion to refer to the Technical Review Committee for design suggestion on the Droemer  
Moved by Commissioner Morrell      Second: Commissioner Dowd**

**Roll Call Vote**

	<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**

**H. Certificate of Appropriateness Application – 660 Nassau Street (installation of a fence)**

The applicant David Joseph gave a description of his project to install and repair fence with wood fencing.

**Motion to approve: Commissioner Morrell      Second: Commissioner Carroll**

**Roll Call Vote**

	<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.      RESOLUTION**

**9-2021      A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 488 FAIRVIEW AVENUE, CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., WHICH IS BLOCK 5903, LOT 9 ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO INSTALL SOLAR PANELS ON THE ROOF (*Rescheduled from the 05/19/2021 Meeting*)**

**Motion to approve: Commissioner Wells      Second: Commissioner Morrell**  
*(Commissioners Carroll, Dowd, Matthews and Velez were not in attendance and should abstain.)*

**Roll Call Vote**

	<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 failed**

**11-2021      A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 311 REYNOLDS TERRACE, CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., WHICH IS BLOCK 4201, LOT 25 ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO INSTALL SOLAR PANELS ON THE ROOF**

**Motion moved by Commissioner Morrell:                      Second: Commissioner Dowd**  
*(Commissioner Wells was not in attendance and should abstain.)*

**Roll Call Vote**

	<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**

**12-2021      A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 249 HEYWOOD AVENUE, CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., WHICH IS BLOCK 6601, LOT 16 ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A REAR ADDITION TO YOUR HOME**

**Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_**  
*(Commissioner Wells was not in attendance and should abstain.)*

**Roll Call Vote**

	<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**

**13-2021 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 266 FULLER TERRACE, CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., WHICH IS BLOCK 4802, LOT 3 ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO INSTALL NEW WHITE VINYL FENCE ON THE REAR LOT LINE OF THE PROPERTY**

**Motion moved: Commissioner Dowd Second: Commissioner Morrell**  
*(Commissioner Wells was not in attendance and should abstain.)*

**Roll Call Vote**

	<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**

**14-2021 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR 455 NEW ENGLAND TERRACE, CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, N.J., WHICH IS BLOCK 4101, LOT 16 ON THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, TO INSTALL SOLAR PANELS ON THE ROOF**

**Motion moved: Commissioner Morrell Second: Commissioner Dowd**  
*(Commissioner Wells was not in attendance and should abstain.)*

**Roll Call Vote**

	<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. Janine Bauer notified the Commission that the Chair of the Zoning Board of Adjustment asked her to serve as the temporary Legal Counsel

**PENDING BUSINESS**

**Adjourn Meeting:**

**Motion to adjourn by second by Commissioner Carroll**

**Second by Commissioner Wells**

**Motion was unanimously approved.**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:23 P. M.**

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

**APPROVED: July 21, 2021**

*JOYCE L. LANIER*

*JODY LEIGHT*

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**Joyce L. Lanier  
Secretary**

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**Jody Leight  
Acting Chair**