



Historic District Commission
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 14, 2023, 6:00pm
Narragansett Town Hall

Convene: Chairman Lescarbeau called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Roll Call: Keith Lescarbeau-Chairman, *Karen Catuogno-Vice Chairman, Nanci Adams-Secretary, Richard Campbell, John Tyburski *arrived at 6:03pm

Absent with cause: Francis Figueroa

Also Present: Michael DeLuca-Community Development Director, Ryan DiPanni-Planning Technician, Heidi Petrone-Clerk to the Commission

Administrative Matters: Nothing noted.

Consent Agenda

1C: **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** September 12, 2023

A **Motion** was made by N. Adams, seconded by K. Catuogno, to **Approve** the Consent Agenda. Motion **Passes** 4 to 0 to 1 (K. Lescarbeau-**Aye**, K. Catuogno-**Aye**, N. Adams-**Aye**, R. Campbell-**Abstained**, J. Tyburski-**Aye**)

Public Hearing

2PH: **16 Rockland Street:** Rear Addition

Owner: Gale & Michael Horan

Michael Horan, the property owner and applicant, and Duncan Pendlebury, the architect for the project, presented the application to build an addition to the south of the house, as depicted in the plans submitted. D. Pendlebury noted that the hip roof design will be carried through to the addition. In response to Chairman Lescarbeau, M. Horan indicated that the front stairs to the house are not part of this project. R. DiPanni reviewed the project summary, noting that the roof replacement will be with in-kind materials and that Staff is supportive of the application.

There were no other questions from the Commission and no one from the public spoke in favor of or against the proposal.

A **Motion** was made by R. Campbell, seconded by N. Adams, to **Close** the public hearing. Motion **Passes** 5 to 0 (K. Lescarbeau-**Aye**, K. Catuogno-**Aye**, N. Adams-**Aye**, R. Campbell-**Aye**, J. Tyburski-**Aye**)

A **Motion** was made by N. Adams, seconded by K. Catuogno, to **Approve** the application as submitted. Motion **Passes** 5 to 0 (K. Lescarbeau-**Aye**, K. Catuogno-**Aye**, N. Adams-**Aye**, R. Campbell-**Aye**, J. Tyburski-**Aye**)

Old Business

3OB: **73 Central Street – “Tyn-Y-Coed”:** Final Detail Review

Owner: Laurie Strauss

Laurie Strauss, the property owner and applicant, explained that the original garage was a single car bay, and the new garage is a 2-car bay garage and presented her choice for a door, as presented in the documents submitted. She also noted the proposed kitchen door chosen is period appropriate.

There were no questions from the Commission and no one from the public spoke in favor of or against the proposal.

A **Motion** was made by K. Catuogno, seconded by J. Tyburski, to **Approve** the proposed garage door and kitchen door as presented. Motion **Passes** 5 to 0 (K. Lescarbeau-**Aye**, K. Catuogno-**Aye**, N. Adams-**Aye**, R. Campbell-**Aye**, J. Tyburski-**Aye**)

New Business

4NB: 93 Central Street – “Linger Longer”: Pre-Application Discussion
Replace Windows and Rear Addition
Owner: Joshua & Brooke Medeiros

Joshua Medeiros, the property owner and applicant, and Keith Briggs, the builder for the project, presented the proposal to partially enclose the back deck in order to expand the kitchen, as depicted in the plans submitted. The bulkhead door on the side of the house is proposed to be removed and replaced with French doors as an entry into the first floor. K. Briggs described the proposed window replacement. J. Medeiros noted that the third-floor windows were in the worst condition as it appears previous owners shut off that area and did not maintain the third floor.

K. Catuogno stated she would need more information on the condition of the current windows and more information on the proposed French doors as no information was provided. Chairman Lescarbeau noted that the condition of the windows proposed to be replaced needs to be documented so that a determination of replacement or repair of the windows can be made.

No one from the public spoke in favor of or against the proposal. As this was a pre-application discussion a staff report was not done, and no motions/votes were taken.

5NB: 40 Robinson Street: Pre-Application Discussion – Demolition & Rebuild
Non-Contributing Structure
Owner: Ravera

Keith Briggs, the builder for the project, stated that the current house was built in 1973 and is not a contributing structure to the historic district. The proposal is to demolish the house and build a single-family home that will be period-appropriate to the historic neighborhood.

Chairman Lescarbeau stated his opinion that the proposed structure, as depicted in the plans submitted, is compatible with the Standards and Guidelines and is more appropriate than the current house for the neighborhood.

No one from the public spoke in favor of or against the proposal. As this was a pre-application discussion a staff report was not done, and no motions/votes were taken.

Items for Next Agenda:

Reports from Staff/Commission:

- Proposed 2024 Meeting Dates – distributed , not for action
H. Petrone distributed the proposed dates and explained that the dates follow the same schedule as before, the second Tuesday of each month, and a vote to approve the dates will be taken at the December 12, 2023 meeting.

Adjournment:

A **Motion** was made by N. Adams, seconded by K. Catuogno, to **Adjourn** the meeting at 7:31pm. Motion **Passes** 5 to 0 (K. Lescarbeau-**Aye**, K. Catuogno-**Aye**, N. Adams-**Aye**, R. Campbell-**Aye**, J. Tyburski-**Aye**)

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Petrone
Clerk to the Commission