

Lincoln Historical Commission
Historic District Commission
Brown's Wood Historic District Commission
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 14, 2019
2nd Floor Conference Room, 16 Lincoln Road

Board Members: Andrew Glass, Chair, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Christopher Boit, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Doug Adams, HDC/LHC/BWHDC
Alternate: Frank Clark, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Judith Lawler, Alternate, HDC/LHC/BWHDC

(Members unavailable: Gary Anderson, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Lynn Delisi, HDC/BWHDC; Richard Rundell, HDC/BWHDC; Andy Ory, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Allen Vander Meulen, Alternate, HDC/LHC/BWHDC)

Others Present: Elaine Carroll, Adm. Assistant

NEXT ANTICIPATED MEETINGS: Tuesday, June 11, at 7:30 p.m., 2nd Floor Conference Room

Historic District Commission:

Certificate of Appropriateness:

8 Trapelo Road – Pam Riser, architect for Diana Smith came before the Historic District Commission (HDC) to present plans for (1) renovating and expanding the existing kitchen, bedroom, bathroom, and laundry at the rear of the house, (2) constructing a small entry addition on the east side of the house, and (3) re-shingling the entire house. Ms. Riser indicated that the proposed additions were not easily visible from public ways. All details and materials will match the existing conditions. The new windows would match the existing dining room windows. After Commission members reviewed the proposed plans, Doug Adams made a motion to approve the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the design of the additions subject to their matching the existing details of the house and to approve the re-shingling of the house with like materials. Christopher Boit seconded the motion. The HDC vote to approve was unanimous.

Discussion:

17 Weston Road – Anne Crosby, a member of the Pierce House Property Committee, came before the HDC to discuss the design of a new sign at the entry of the Pierce House drive. Mrs. Crosby showed the Commission photographs of the existing sign which is in disrepair. The Fire Department asked the Pierce House Committee to include the address of the Pierce House on the new sign. Commission members expressed that the sign should include the name and address of the house, should have a simple design, and should be approximately the same size as the existing sign. Frank Clark noted that the Pierce House Committee could consider placing plaques with the construction date of the house and honoring John Pierce on the exterior of house and inside the house, respectively. Mrs. Crosby indicated that she would return to the HDC when the Pierce House Committee has developed a design for the entry sign.

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Demolition Request:

1 Meadowbrook Road – Ayr Muir came before the Lincoln Historical Commission (LHC) to request the demolition of a detached garage. The house dates from 1913; but the date of the garage is not clear. The garage is not in good repair and is close to a stream. The Conservation Commission requested that Mr. Muir move the proposed new garage away from the stream. Mr. Muir showed the Commission plans for the proposed garage and studio. Mr. Boit made a motion that the detached garage is not historically or architecturally significant and can be demolished. Judith Lawler seconded the motion. The LHC vote to approve demolition was unanimous.

158 Bedford Road – Christopher Kalisch came before the LHC to request the demolition of a detached garage. Mr. Kalisch noted that a large tree has encroached on the garage, damaging the structure of the garage and its slab foundation. The design of the proposed new garage draws on the details of the house. The proposed new garage would have the same dimensions as the existing garage. Frank Clark made a motion that the detached garage is not historically or architecturally significant and can be demolished. Mrs. Lawler seconded the motion. The LHC vote to approve demolition was unanimous.

11 Woodcock Lane – Kevin and Jayne Mundt came before the LHC for a Demolition Plan Review with their architect James Beasley to request the demolition of the existing dwelling. Several members visited the site on May 13, and the Commission thanked the Mundt for the tour. Mr. Glass indicated that noted Modern architect Constantin Pertzoff had designed the Woodcock Lane neighborhood to have small houses set on large lots. 11 Woodcock Lane abuts Beaver Pond. Rainer Frost of 14 Woodcock Lane said that he believed Manny Maier added the second floor of 11 Woodcock Lane. Mr. Mundt noted that the second floor does not afford views of the pond and that there is mold in the house. The proposed new house will take advantage of the views of the pond and will use the slope of the site to help keep the height of the house lower. After reviewing the plans of the proposed new house, Commission members noted that they were pleased that the proposed house respected the ethos of the neighborhood, drew on the Modernist principles of the existing homes in the neighborhood, and aimed to be sustainable. Mr. Boit made a motion that while the house is historically and architecturally significant, it is not preferably preserved based on the preliminary plans presented at the meeting and subject to the Commission's review of a more developed set of plans. Mr. Adams seconded the motion. The Commission discussed that after the Mundts meet with the Planning Board, they will need to return to the Lincoln Historical Commission with the final plans for the proposed dwelling for review and approval by the Commission. The Commission also required that the Mundts document the house with photographs the exterior and of the interior including, but not limited to, the kitchen, living room, upstairs gallery, bathrooms, stairways, bedrooms, chimney structure, basement workshop, and any unique fixtures in the house, which James Beasley agreed to do. The LHC vote to demolish was 4-0 with Mrs. Lawler recusing herself as an abutter.

32 Tower Road – Mr. Glass explained that Lucretia Giese's family would like to place a Preservation Agreement (PA) on 32 Tower Road. Mr. Glass has been working with Ms. Giese's brother Harry Hoover and her nieces on the terms of the PA, which is meant to preserve important features of the house and its footprint while providing flexibility to future owners. Mr. Adams made a motion to approve the PA, and to allow Mr. Glass to continue to work with the

Giese family on the terms of the PA and to sign the PA on behalf of the Lincoln Historical Commission. Mr. Clark seconded the motion. The LHC vote to approve was unanimous.

Other Business:

Minutes – Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 2, 2019 meeting as written. Mr. Boit seconded the motion. The HDC/LHC/BWHDC vote to approve was unanimous.

At 9:00 p.m., Mr. Adams made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Clark seconded the motion. The HDC/LHC/BWHDC vote to adjourn was unanimous.

Submitted by Elaine Carroll