

## Belmont Historic District Commission

### MEETING MINUTES

2019 SEP 23 PM 6:21

Tuesday, July 9, 2019

Town Hall, Conference Room 2

#### Commission Members Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Harrington, Co-Chair | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sue Pew                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lauren Meier, Co-Chair    | <input type="checkbox"/> Carl Solander                       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Chesson           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Smith, Alternate |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kathy Fahey               | <input type="checkbox"/> Nushin Yazdi, Alternate             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tracy Marquis             | <input type="checkbox"/> Richard Cheek, Emeritus             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Terry McCarthy            | <input type="checkbox"/> Lydia Ogilby, Emeritus              |

#### Staff Member(s) Present

- ☒ Spencer Gober, Staff Planner, Office of Community Development

#### Community Members Present:

##### 1. 7PM Meeting called to order.

##### 2. Public Hearings

- a. Case #19-05, 39 Centre Avenue, scope: add a 3' x 12' addition on the western side of the home to enable the relocation and expansion of the kitchen area
  - Chris Blake, architect, was present to answer additional questions about the addition. Michael Smith and Tracy Marquis visited the property. Michael Smith commented you can see a small portion of the addition if the trees were not there, however he recommended approval.
  - A motion was made by M. Smith and seconded by T. McCarthy to approve for a Certificate of Appropriateness. The vote to approve was unanimous.

##### 3. Public Meetings

- a. Proposed change to paint color at 707 Pleasant Street
  - The homeowner proposed a blue main color, with white trim and black trim. She will put mock ups on the house for review by M. Smith and K. Fahey on July 12<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. The HDC will reconvene for a hearing regarding the paint once the abutters are notified at the next meeting, 7.30.19 at 7pm.

#### 4. Continuing Discussions

a. Appointments

- K. Fahey, L. Harrington, C. Solander, T. McCarthy, and N. Yazdi have expiring HDC terms and will need to be reappointed by the Select Board. Include highlights from discussion using same format as above. K. Fahey agreed to continue as an alternate member as long as the HDC needs her. If needed S. Gober will post the need for new commissioners on LinkedIn, the Town Website, and the Belmont Citizen Herald.

b. Work Plan / Guidelines

- The HDC will begin work on updating this and updating the Guidelines in September.

c. McLean Barn

- The Contract and the Building Permit have been signed. S. Gober stated the work will begin next Monday July 15<sup>th</sup> and should take four weeks.
- S. Gober mentioned that Ellen O'Brien Cushman is working on the security cameras for the Barn. S. Gober stated the Land Management Committee (LMC) to come to an HDC meeting to discuss security lighting. S. Gober will suggest to E. Cushman to come to the HDC meeting on 7.30.19.

d. Belmont Municipal Building

- It was agreed that the HDC will submit a Community Preservation Act funding application.

e. Belmont Police Station

- M. Smith stated the ground breaking was today.

f. Pleasant Street Signs

- S. Gober stated the signs are in his office and are ready to be installed.

g. Lone Tree Hill

- L. Meier suggested new signage, LMC may bring to the 7.30.19 HDC meeting.

#### 3. Minutes

a. Review and approval of minutes

- Minutes from Jun 11, 2019 were approved as amended

**The tentative date for the next HDC meeting will be July 30, 2019 at 7PM in Town Hall, Conference Room 2.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Lisa Harrington