

**TOWNSHIP OF HARDING
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
MAY 6, 2021**

Opening of Meeting

Historic Preservation Chair, Mr. dePoortere opened the meeting in accordance with Open Public Meetings Act and Executive Order No. 103 from Governor Phil Murphy.

Roll Call

Ms. Taglairino called the roll. It went as follows:

Mr. dePoortere	Present	Mr. Kao	Excused
Mrs. Claytor	Present	Mr. Wilson	Present
Ms. Hefner	Excused	Mr. Bogusky	Present
Mr. Maselli	Present	Mr. Cooney	Present
Mr. Dinsmore	Present		

Ms. Chipperson was present.

Minutes

Mr. Dinsmore made a motion to approve the February 4, 2021 minutes. It was seconded by Ms. Claytor. On a voice vote all eligible members were in favor of approving the February minutes.

Mr. Cooney made a motion to approve the April 7, 2021 minutes. It was seconded by Mr. Maselli. On a voice vote all eligible members were in favor of approving the April minutes.

NEW BUSINESS

Application HPC# 05-06-21-06

Chris Martin
1 Lees Hill Road, B17/L56
District: New Vernon-Key Contributing
Garage Renovation-demolition

Presenting:

Chris & Mary Martin, Owners

- Ms. Martin stated that they are proposing to build a 4 bay garage. The existing garage is heavily damaged.
- Mr. Martin noted that it is a detached garage between the barn and the principal dwelling. It has a gravel stone base. The building is deteriorating and they are proposing to demolish it to build a new structure.

- Mr. Martin noted that the proposed structure would be close to the same footprint with 4 bays and a second story storage loft.
- Mr. dePoortere asked about the streetscape, materials and roof height for the new structure.
- Mr. Martin stated that the height of the structure would be just under 24 feet.
- Mr. Martin notes that the siding would be cedar and the roof would be a metal roof.
- Mr. Martin added that the structure would not be visible from Lees Hill Road.
- Mr. Maselli noted that the size is taller and would be visible from Village Road.
- Ms. Claytor ask if they had considered windows to break up the long expanse of siding on the Village Road side.
- Mr. Martin noted they were going to use landscaping to soften the sides.
- Mr. dePoortere noted two considerations for the Commission. First, he asked if anyone opposed the demolition of the garage structure.
- The Commission had no objection to demolishing the structure.
- Mr. dePoortere asked if anyone objected to the plans with regards to its impact on streetscape.
- The Commission approved of the proposed plans.
- Mr. Maselli commented on keeping the lighting shielded and lower than shown on the proposed plans. Overall he thought the plans were done with the correct spirit of the town.

DISCUSSION

McCabe Report

The Commission did an initial review of the Logansville Historic District. The Commission had questions as to how Mr. McCabe arrived at his conclusions. There was a question about the completeness of the report with no submissions for Silver Lake or the Individual Contributing Properties.

Mr. dePoortere requested that members start to suggest Historic House of the Year nominees.

The Commission would like to move ahead and order Historic House of the Year house numbers for the last two chosen homes.

OTHER BUSINESS FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Adjournment

There being no further discussions; the meeting adjourned at 8:40.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Taglairino

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Recording Secretary of the Historic Preservation Commission.

Upon request a verbatim recording is available through the Historic Preservation Office