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## HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

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## JANUARY 7, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

Time: 7:30-9:30 pm

Location: Swampscott Police Headquarters, 531 Humphrey St

Members Present: B. Franklin, J. Jurma, S Belkin, R. Smith, B. Herter

Members Absent: A. Steingiser

B Franklin opened the meeting of the Historic District Commission.

## **CERTIFICATES:**

1. **18HDC-83 - (31 MOUNTWOOD ROAD)** – request for review, creating a bump out wall to the left of the 3rd (third) level dormer on the east facing façade to create sufficient headroom for main staircase and review of roof pitches. Applicant & Owner: SANDRA PUPELIS & SILVERIO BOLETO. Parcel ID: 15-23.

Commission discussed the alteration of the pitch of the roof on the front of the property, from a lower to a steeper pitch (to match the submitted and previously approved design). Also discussed the pitch of the roof over the garage, which has been built at a lower pitch than that approved by the Commission. The Commission discussed whether this lower pitch is historically accurate and in concert with the rest of the property. The Commission requested that the drawings be revised to show the result if the property is built with the steeper roof in the front and a lower pitch on the garage. The Commission also discussed the moving of a wall near a dormer to accommodate headspace in the third floor staircase. Motion to continue application approved unanimously. No objection by homeowner.

2. **18HDC-80-(27 SHAW ROAD)** -request to replace 4 (four) attic windows similar to the rest of the home. Applicant & Owner: KENNETH & ELISA JOHNSTON. Parcel ID: 1-59. Commission reviewed photos of the condition of the third floor attic windows and noted that one on the right of the house has been previously removed (by prior owner) and replaced with a vent. The second window on the right appears to be in very poor condition with missing components and damaged wood. Windows on the left of the house are original but are also in very poor condition. After viewing the materials regarding the proposed replacements, the Commission asked the homeowner to gather information on the printability of the product and whether they can be installed as a full frame replacement. Homeowners did not object to a continuance to gather this information. S. Belkin moved to

continue. Seconded by R. Smith. Unanimously approved. B. Franklin provided information about providing notice to abutters.

3. **18HDC-79- (219 Paradise Road)** – request to open exterior brick wall to accommodate a new overhead garage door: Applicant: CAPONIGRO CONSTRUCTIONS / OWNER: GUS MOUSSA. Parcel ID: 15-2-0.

Application originally made for a certificate of non-applicability; however the proposed work is visible from a public way and thus requires a certificate of appropriateness. Instructions were provided regarding providing notice to abutters. Commission reviewed the proposed garage door in the commercial (auto service station) building and found it to be in keeping with the age and purpose of the building. J. Jurma moved to approve a certificate of appropriateness, seconded by S. Belkin. Unanimously approved.

Motion to adjourn approved unanimously.

Ben Franklin Historic District Commission Chair