

TOWN OF

SWAMPSCOTT

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

ELIHU THOMSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 22 MONUMENT AVENUE, SWAMPSCOTT, MA 01907 MEMBERS
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ALTERNATES SYLVIA BELKIN

MARCH 6, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

Time: 7:37 - 9:45 pm

Location: Swampscott Police Headquarters, 531 Humphrey St

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

B Franklin opened the meeting of the Historic District Commission at 7:37 pm, on March 6th, 2017.

APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Commission reviewed Minutes from 11.7.16 and 2.6.17. J Jurma made a motion to approve. R Smith seconded. The vote was unanimous.

CERTIFICATES

17HDC-04 (48 FARRAGUT ROAD) – request to demolish garage and remove driveway from Ellis Road and add a new driveway from Farragut Road and construct a new garage on same footprint with a small extension. Applicant & Owner: NICHOLAS WEINAND. Parcel ID: 5-132. *Continued from Feb meeting*

The Architect, Bill Peterson, presented updated design drawings and product specifications to the Commission.

B Herter made a motion to approve 17HDC-04 for a Certificate of Appropriateness, with the following conditions. R Smith seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

- Garage Door to be Clopay Coachman Collection, Series One REC 14 Design, as discussed and submitted on 3.6.17.
- Person Door into Garage to be Masonite Belleville Smooth style door with single-glazed window, as submitted on 3.6.17, with 2-lite window (2w by 1h lite pattern equivalent to (1) vertical muntin).
- Awning windows to be single-glazed Andersen 100-Series, as submitted on 3.6.17, with 3-lites (3w by 1h lite pattern equivalent to (2) vertical muntins).
- All windows to have paintable historic sill installed on exterior.
- Siding exposure revised to 6" exposure, as submitted on 3.6.17.
- Frieze board not required; decision to include per owner's discretion.
- Outdoor security light, as submitted on 3.6.17, to be relocated to behind the downspout offset on the
 easternmost edge of the Garage Door facade (see exterior elevation 1/A300 in drawing set from 3.6.17 for
 intended facade).

17HDC-09 (48 FARRAGUT ROAD) – request to install a fence around property. Applicant & Owner: NICK & MELISSA WEINAND. Parcel ID: 5-132.

The Applicant presented a design for a new fence to be installed around the perimeter of their property.

J Jurma made a motion to approve 17HDC-09 for a Certificate of Appropriateness, with the following condition. A Steingiser seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

• Provide (3) gates in proposed fence layout - (1) at Entry Door along Farragut Rd., (1) along Ellis Rd. (location per owner's discretion), and (1) adjacent to new Garage door, lending access to new Patio.

DISCUSSION TOPICS

1.

The Commission discussed the potential to add an additional alternate member to the HDC, to fill the last remaining vacancy.

2.

The Commission discussed the idea of a Friends of the Olmsted District group. There have been informal conversations about its creation, to date.

3.

B Franklin summarized conversations regarding website redesign, highlighting that the Town website for the HDC cannot be redesigned, but that the content can be edited. B Herter commented that the website design, as well as

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the content on the HDC page, is confusing, and that it could be simplified. B Franklin also noted that a goal should be to create more informed buyers, sellers, and real estate agents. J Jurma questioned whether there should be signs indicating the Olmsted District at every entrance point, or perhaps the street signs should change. In addition to this, there should be a consideration to adding an address list to the HDC website, noting all properties within the Historic District.

4.

R Smith presented the issue of ADA retrofits along Route 1A, and questioned whether the resolution would be incoherent to the remainder of the streetscape.

J Jurma made a motion to adjourn at 9:45pm. R Smith seconded. Unanimously approved.

Ben Herter Historic District Commission Secretary