



TOWN OF SWAMPSCOTT

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

ELIHU THOMSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

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AUGUST 7, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

Time: 7:30–9:00 pm

Location: Swampscott Police Headquarters, 531 Humphrey St

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

Members Absent: A. Steingiser

B Franklin opened the meeting of the Historic District Commission at 7:32pm, August 7th, 2017.

APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Commission reviewed Minutes from 07.10.17. RSmith made a motion to approve. SBelkin seconded. The vote was unanimous.

CERTIFICATES

17HDC- 46 (56 THOMAS ROAD) – request to replace porch by changing the closed - face knee walls to spindle railings.

Applicant & Owner: JOSH OXTON. Parcel ID: 1 - 54.

Received a Certificate of Appropriateness (R Smith made a motion to approve, B Herter seconded, unanimous vote) with the following Conditions,

- New cedar balusters of 5/4 square stock, at 2:1 spacing (space between baluster:width of baluster)
- Depending on the height of deck above the adjacent grade, and local building official approval, the Commission approves the following conditions.
 - If deck <30" above adjacent grade, railing height to align with existing window sill
 - If deck >30" above adjacent grade, railing height minimum height of 36" with secondary lower rail. Refer to railing at 65 Thomas Rd.
- On an advisory basis, the Commission recommends that the new rail cap have a slope to shed water away from railing

17HDC- 54 (40 ANDREW ROAD) – request to install a bathroom vent louvre on side of home on second floor (behind dormer). Applicant: MICHAEL BELLANTE. Owner: DENNIS BARTON. Parcel ID: 1 - 66.

Received a Certificate of Appropriateness (J Jurma made a motion to approve, S Belkin seconded, unanimous vote), as submitted, No Conditions.

DISCUSSION TOPICS

Joe Taverna from 160 Walker Rd informally asked the Commission for advice on how to appropriately replace a rotting fence in his backyard. The rotting section is 4' tall, and he would like to install a new 8' high section in its place.

J Jurma moves to adjourn at 9:03pm. S Belkin second. Unanimously approved.

Ben Herter
Historic District Commission Secretary