

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING FEBRUARY 10, 2015**

**ROLL CALL:**

Present:

Mark Sharp, Chairman  
Laly Espinoza Kuga, Vice Chairperson  
Scott Lamperti

Absent:

David Danois (excused)  
Wendy Schaefer (excused)  
Curt Climes, Alternate 1 (excused)  
Katherine Miller, Alternate 2 (excused)

Also present recording secretary Stephanie Sherwood.

Call to order at 7:00 pm. Chairman Sharp read the Compliance Statement.

**NEW APPLICATIONS**

**COA 01-02-03-2015, 21-23 Willow Avenue.** Enrique Cruz and Wendy Cruz were sworn in. Ms. Cruz explained the need to repair and/or replace the asphalt shingled roof and make repairs to the front porch.

There were no questions from the audience regarding the proposed work to be done at 21-23 Willow Avenue.

Chairman Sharp made a motion to approve Application 01-02-03-2015 for 21-23 Willow Avenue as presented by Mr. Cruz and Ms. Cruz. Work to be done consists of repairing all soffits and siding in kind; repairing all porch elements in kind; repairing/replacing the asphalt roof in kind with asphalt shingles.

Seconded by Ms. Kuga and on Roll Call carried all three voting aye.

Chairman Sharp advised that the Certificate of Appropriateness would be ready within 7-10 business days.

**COA 02-02-03-2015, 104 Sycamore Avenue.** Mesias Reyes was sworn in. Mr. Reyes explained the need to make repairs to the front rail steps as he had received a notice of violation from the Borough.

Frank D'Amore, 40 Willow Avenue, North Plainfield, urged applicants to accompany any paperwork received from the Borough, specifically notices of violations, with their applications to ensure they address those areas in need of repair.

Chairman Sharp made a motion to approve Application 02-02-03-2015 for 104 Sycamore Avenue as presented by Mr. Reyes. Work to be done consists of repairing the front rail steps in kind consistent to the porch rail when the house was purchased in 2003.

Seconded by Mr. Lamperti and on Roll Call carried all three voting aye.

Chairman Sharp advised that the Certificate of Appropriateness would be ready within 7-10 business days.

**COA 03-02-03-2015, 63 Mercer Avenue.** Eleuterio Rojas was sworn in. Mr. Rojas explained that after he had installed a bluestone walkway and small retaining wall in the front of his property, the Borough sent a notice of violation because he had not obtained a certificate of appropriateness.

There were no questions from the audience regarding the proposed work which had already been done at 63 Mercer Avenue.

Chairman Sharp made a motion to approve Application 03-02-03-2015 for 63 Mercer Avenue as presented by Mr. Rojas. Work which has been done consists of installing a chestnut brown double-sided brick retaining wall and a bluestone walkway in front of house. Work to be done consists of removing the one remaining concrete slab and installing bluestone to match the existing bluestone in the walkway.

Seconded by Ms. Kuga and on Roll Call carried all three voting aye.

Chairman Sharp advised that the Certificate of Appropriateness would be ready within 7-10 business days.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Frank D'Amore, 40 Willow Avenue, North Plainfield, provided a copy of the Borough's survey and urged for an update to same. Commenting on the Master Plan update, Mr. D'Amore requested clarification as to the inclusion of the Historic Element within.

## APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Ms. Sherwood had submitted copies of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 6, 2015.

Regular Meeting of January 6, 2015: All in favor.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Sharp, seconded by Mr. Lamperti and on voice vote carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm.