# HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE REGULAR MEETING 7:30 PM, JUSTICE CENTER, 25 SOUTH UNION STREET

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. with a statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, noticing the Times and the Democrat on Tuesday, January 2, 2018. The agenda was posted on the City's website at <a href="www.lambertvillenj.org">www.lambertvillenj.org</a> and the bulletin board at City Hall on Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, and has remained posted continuously since. Vice Chair Hencheck, presiding.

#### **OATH OF OFFICE**

Secretary Harris swore Commissioner Amon, Vice Chair Hencheck, and Commissioner Toboz into office.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Secretary Harris called the roll as follows:

Present: Commissioner James Amon, Vice Chair John Hencheck, Commissioner Nora Linderman, Commissioner Lou Toboz.

Absent: Commissioner Lisa Easton, Commissioner Sarah Lechner, Chair Stewart Palilonis

#### APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 9, 2018 MEETING MINUTES.

Commissioner Linderman made a motion to approve the January 9, 2018 meeting minutes prepared by Secretary Harris. Vice Chair Hencheck seconded the motion. An affirmative roll call/voice vote was taken in favor of the motion by all members present, Commissioners Amon and Toboz abstaining. MOTION CARRIED

#### APPLICATIONS.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

Application for 17 Wilson Street has been deferred as the application is incomplete and without representation. A letter will be sent to the applicants providing instructions to complete the application so as to be added to the agenda at a future date.

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#### **NEW BUSINESS**

39-41 Bridge Street: Joseph M. Spataro, R.A. Application for: 1. exterior windows replacement in kind including surround and mullion strips 2. Removal of metal window bars both the front and sides windows 3. The installation of an ATM machine that would require that the front window 39 Bridge St. be removed and elongated to accommodate the electronic device. Joseph M. Spataro, Herb Cyzner, and attorney Larry Wahl were present to discuss the application made for 39-41 Bridge Street.

#### Discussions ensued as follows:

- 1. that the window replacement would be in kind;
- 2. removal of the metal window bars would be removed and offered free of charge for adaptive reuse within the community; and
- 3. the ATM installation- it was testified this machine was needed by over 2800 bank customers living in the area and the installation was a condition of sale by the bank. The Vice Chair had Joseph M. Spataro R.A. for the applicant who provided a rendering of the building as is, requested that Sparato draw the ATM as it would appear in the window opening (attached to the record).

#### **MOTION**

Vice Chair Hencheck made motion to approve application; Commissioner Amon questioned what was to be voted upon. Applicant responded all three elements as one option. Commissioner Toboz seconded the motion and Secretary Harris called the vote. Prior to the vote Attorney Wohl expressed the applicant's wishes that if favorable approval was not granted from the Commission it would be appealed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment. If denied at the Zoning Board he would take the matter to court for relief. MOTION DENIED. Four members present, two members yes, two members no. Five member board is a three member quorum; application needed three affirmative votes.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS.

In his memory, the Historic Preservation Commission offered recognition of Mr. Jim Hamilton's lifelong commitment and contributions to the City of Lambertville.

Additionally, discussion ensued regarding the possible expansion of the Historic District.

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### ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

L.M. Harris Secretary