



Meeting Date: April 26, 2021

In Attendance: Maria Boyes (Chair), Jacqueline Brevard (Vice-Chair), Carol Tener (Town Historian), Kelly Kessler, Jennifer Jaruzelski, Katie Spikes, Alison Carey, Linda Habgood (TC), Greg Blasi, Matthew Ceberio (PB), Barton Ross (HPO), Mary Anne Healy-Rodriguez (A1), Kathryn Reed (A2), Tom Jardim (Town Attorney)

Absent: Carol Tener (Town Historian)

The meeting minutes from March 22, 2021, were reviewed; Ms. Kessler made a motion to approve, Ms. Brevard seconded. The minutes were approved by the Commission.

New Business:

Chair Boyes introduced and welcomed new member and Historic Preservation Officer Barton Ross. Mr. Ross then proceeded to provide a power point presentation entitled “Understanding Historic Preservation Standards in New Jersey.” Mr. Ross explained the legal basis for historic preservation and the Municipal Land Use Law in the state. He then covered the National Register of Criteria for Evaluation and discussed the Secretary of Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation providing numerous examples with photos from throughout the state.

Commission members thanked Mr. Ross for the presentation, and it was discussed that this could be a helpful addition to the HPC’s website.

Committee updates:

From the Communications Committee, Ms. Jaruzelski presented the idea of providing historic Westfield backdrops for Commission members and Council members to use during the May meeting to celebrate National Historic Preservation Month, in addition to the second reading of Westfield’s most recently designated property, 923 Central Avenue. All agreed.

Meeting open to public comment.

Meeting adjourned: 8:45 p.m.