

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 17, 2017**

Call to order at 7:05 pm. Mayor Giordano read the Compliance Statement.

Mayor Giordano called for nominations for Chair of the Historic Preservation Commission for the year 2017. Ms. Schaefer nominated Katherine Miller for Chair of the Historic Preservation Commission, seconded by Mr. McIntyre and on Roll Call carried unanimously. Ms. Miller accepted and assumed the Chair.

Ms. Schaefer nominated Ms. Kuga for Vice Chair for the year 2017. Motion was seconded by Mr. McIntyre. Ms. Miller nominated Ms. Schaefer for Vice Chair for the year 2017. Motion was seconded by Mr. McIntyre. Mr. Siegler advised that a vote would take place at the next meeting.

Mayor Giordano confirmed that Stephanie Sherwood would continue to serve as recording secretary for the year 2017.

ROLL CALL

Katherine Miller, Chair

Laly Espinoza Kuga, Vice Chair (absent – excused)

Scott Lamperti (absent – excused)

Wendy Schaefer

Janice Allen (absent – excused)

Steve McIntyre, Alternate No. 1

Sherlock Bender, Alternate No. 2 (absent)

Steve Siegler, Esq., Associate Borough Attorney

Stephanie Sherwood, Recording Secretary (absent – excused)

NEW APPLICATIONS

COA 01-01-10-2017, 31-35 Grove Street. Vishal Pujara was sworn in. Mr. Pujara explained that he would like to remove the chimney from the house. In order to maintain the appearance of the house, he was prepared to install a fake chimney on top of the roof in its place.

Frank D'Amore, Sr., 40 Willow Avenue, North Plainfield, suggested that some of the bricks from the original chimney be reused.

Ms. Schaefer made a motion to approve Application 01-01-10-2017 for 31-35 Grove Street as presented by Vishal Pujara. We approve the removal of the existing chimney on the roof of the house and in its place the installation of a fake chimney with the same size, texture, color, architectural design, detail, and dimensions as the existing chimney. Applicant shall provide pictures to the Chair prior to installing same.

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

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

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Ms. Miller requested that the December 6, 2016 minutes be carried to the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Miller requested clarification concerning the Borough Attorney's opinion that the Master Plan would not benefit from the addition of an historic element. Mr. Siegler explained that an historic element to the Master Plan would not be necessary as an historic district already exists in North Plainfield. He offered to research the topic further.

Ms. Miller initiated a discussion about the placement of satellite dishes on homes within the historic district.

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Schaefer, seconded by Mr. McIntyre and on voice vote carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.