Franklin Township Historic Preservation Advisory Commission Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting January 7, 2014

Location

Franklin Township Municipal Building, 475 DeMott Lane, Somerset, NJ.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Burian at 7:32 p.m. in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Law of 1975.

Attendance

Members –Jean Ambrose, Andrew Burian, Tom Gale, Susan Goldey, Bob LaCorte, Barbara Lawrence, Barbara ten Broeke Staff—Mark Healey

Absent

Member—Anthony Ganim Council Member—Ted Chase Historian—Bob Mettler Alternate—Nancy Hohnstine

Guests

JoAnne Kaiser Alan Goodheart (39 Market Street) Steven S. Cohen (39 Market Street Sara Andre (NJSHPO) Andrea Tingey (NJSHPO)

Reorganization

Election of Officers

Bob LaCorte nominated the following officers for 2014

Chair: Andrew Burian
Vice Chair: Tom Gale
Secretary: Susan Goldey
Secretary-Alternate: Barbara ten Broeke

The officers were elected by acclamation.

Adoption of calendar of meetings

A schedule of meetings for 2014 was approved unanimously.

Formal Review

Review of the application for Certificate of Appropriateness by Mr. James Black to construct an addition to an existing commercial building and garage in order to convert the building into a residence at 39 Market Street, East Millstone, NJ 08873. Block 62 Lots 1,2,10, Zoned R-10-H and located in the East Millstone Historic District. File# 14-00001

Steve Cohen, Architect and Alan Goodheart, Project Manage,r presented plans and computer images for the addition and for a proposed 9' wall to be constructed between the existing building and Market Street, 8'8" from the property line. The presenters explained that the height of the wall was necessary to provide privacy, especially when the sliding doors are open. The proposed wall includes two V shaped sections of glass blocks, a design inspired by a brick pattern on the existing building. The stucco wall would be softened by plantings. Tom Gale stated that he believed that a 9' wall is higher than is necessary to provide privacy and that it would obscure the view of the building, which would no longer lend character to the village.

Mr. Cohen and Mr Goodheart agreed to modify the plan and present photographs of a "mock up" to the zoning office.

Presentation

Andrea Tingey and Sara Andre presented a training session on how to conduct a windshield survey, using a power point presentation.

<u>Adjournment</u>

At 9:45 Chairman Burian made a motion to table the remainder of the agenda until the next meeting. (2nd LaCorte). Motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting Announcement

Regularly scheduled meeting: February 4, 2014

Ec: Robert Vornlocker, Township Manager Ann Marie McCarthy, Township Clerk Mark Healey, Director of Planning Vince Dominach, Senior Zoning Officer