Andover Preservation Commission
MEETING Minutes
Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at 6:30 P.M.
Second Floor Conference Room
Andover Town Offices

Present: Leo Greene, Karen Herman, Leslie Frost, Joanna Reck, Craig Gibson

REVIEW OF PLANS:

37 Porter Road, PC-17-05: Review of continuing restoration and construction of historic building with preservation restriction, Todd Wacome, owner.

1 Highland Road, Allen House, PC-19-19: Full window replacement, Trustees of Phillips Academy, Owner, Gary Mignault, representative.
This building is a Greek Revival residence built in 1845. Mr. Mignault proposes to replace the existing windows with Harvey Majesty that includes a 3 light transom on the first floor windows to be able to match the size of the existing fenestration. They will attempt to make the transom width as narrow as possible. All the storm windows will be removed. Forty-five windows in total will be replaced. The screens will be full size. The scope of work on the interior includes insulation, electrical service and other upgrades. They will work from the inside of the building in order to preserve the unique exterior clapboards.
Leo Greene moved to approve project at 1 Highland Road as presented 6-11-19, Leslie Frost/second. Voted unanimously (5-0) to unanimously approve the motion.

4 Maple Ave, PC 19-20: Replace damaged deck, railing & pillars of the front porch, William W. Wood, owner.
Mr. Wood proposes to replace the existing deteriorated pillars, decking and railing on the front of the house with composite material to match existing. The porch arch details will stay. Decking will be Trex. Joanna recommends to Azek planks underneath the porch to match the existing vertical board skirting design.
Leo Greene moved to approve project at 4 Maple Ave. as presented 6-11-19 with the condition that the owner retain the design element of the vertical board design on the skirt under the deck. Leslie Frost/second. Voted (5-0) to unanimously approve the motion.

DEMOLITION DELAY PUBLIC HEARING:

1 Judson Road PC-19-17: Request to raze building, Douglas J. Ahern, owner.
Bill McLeod and Doug Ahern said they intend to tear down the house on the site and build two new houses on the site. They are not interested in preserving the old house on the site. They will make an effort to move the house if possible. They attempted to purchase a lot next door to the property from Phillips Academy but were unsuccessful.

A site visit by the Preservation Commission was held on June 6, 2019 to photo-document the building and access its condition. Commission members were satisfied that the building was in good condition and retained important architectural details on both the interior and exterior of the structure.
Neighbors and others at public hearing spoke in opposition to the proposal to raze the residence. Debra Scannell – 29 Morton St. Bill Putnam and Deb Putnam – 12 Judson Road, further argued for applicants to build compatible houses on the site. Dr. Gary Pare & Mercedes Guiance – 60 Bartlet Street, spoke against razing the building and how important it was for the neighborhood that the structure be preserved. They and their neighbors have invested a significant amount of money in their historic homes in part because of the existing neighborhood. Elsie Miller - 35 Morton Street, ask how the applicants would move the house and what that process would be. Eric Daum, 15 Carlisle St – spoke against the loss of such an historically significant structure.

Karen Herman noted that the impending demolition of the historic 1860 Leonard Wood House, located in the Academy Hill National Historic Register District would be a consequential loss to the surrounding neighborhood and the Town of Andover.

Leo Greene moved to propose a one year demolition delay on razing the historically significant residence located at 1 Judson Road on June 11, 2019 with hope that an opportunity to move the house will happen, with added condition that the Commission see the house plans for at least one lot prior to the completion of the 12 month delay period. Craig Gibson/second. Voted (5-0) to unanimously approve the motion. Mr. Ahern agreed to the condition.

**Dimensional Special Permit – Historic Preservation: in process**

125 Bailey Road: AJM Construction, LLC c/o Attorney Kathryn Morin
Preservation restriction draft: preliminary review for approval. Leo Greene moved to approve the preservation restriction agreement for 125 Bailey Road, as presented, signed and dated tonight 6-11-19. Craig Gibson/second. Voted unanimously (5-0) to approve the motion.

147 Lovejoy Road:
Kevin O’Brien, O’Brien Construction, Casey A. Dowgiert, RA,
Preservation restriction now approved and filed with the Registry of Deeds.

**Next meeting:** July 9, 2019

The matters listed above are those that are reasonably anticipated by the Chair to be discussed at the meeting. Matters may be discussed out of order or may be deferred. Any member of the public wishing to attend this meeting who requires special accommodations in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Town Manager’s Office at 978-623-8210 or manager@andoverma.gov.