

**HOPE TOWNSHIP
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
June 8, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Robert May

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:

The secretary read the "Open Public Meetings Act" Under the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act", adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by publishing notice in the Express Times and Star Gazette and by posting notices in the Hope Post Office and on the Township Bulletin Board all on March 13, 2015 and March 20, 2015 respectively.

Present at this meeting were: Chairman, Robert May, Vice Chairman, Gerry Manger and members: Mary Billow, Emily Brown, Lacey DiTondo, Verity Fox, Jane Guthrie, and Henry Morgan. Absent was Julie Steven.

MINUTES The minutes of the meeting of May 11, 2015 have been distributed to the members prior to this meeting. May noted one typographical error on the second page, the minutes currently read Roll Cal instead of Roll Call. The secretary will make that correction. A motion was made by Fox, seconded by Billow to approve the amended minutes. By voice vote, all were in favor with DiTondo, Guthrie, Manger and Morgan abstaining.

APPLICATIONS 15-05, 337 Johnsonburg Rd. Michael Baker and Judith Callahan. Present for this application were the property owners, Michael Baker and Judith Callahan. The couple explained that they would like to erect a large shed at the top of their driveway to store their lawn and garden maintenance equipment and ATVs. Mr Baker noted that the shed meets the set backs in all directions. The shed was purchased from Fox Run, off of Rt. 31. The owners had a picture of the actual shed that they have purchased. The shed measures 24'x24'x18' and has a roof that is a gray, dark slate color.

Mr. Baker then noted that after the shed is erected, he would like to paint the house, the shed and the other outbuildings on the property green with gray trim and maroon shutters. The applicants had the color samples with them for the commission's approval. A brief discussion was held regarding painters in the area. The applicant was currently not able to retain a painter. The commission members gave them several suggestions for local painters.

A motion was made by DiTondo, seconded by Fox to approve this application, adding the colors for the painting of the house to the application to alleviate the applicants for having to return to the commission when they are ready to paint. Roll Call: Brown-yes, Fox-yes, Morgan-yes, DiTondo-yes, Guthrie-yes, Billow-yes, Manger-yes, May-yes. The approved application was signed and sealed by the Chairman.

NEW BUSINESS DiTondo suggested that the meeting time be moved to 7:00 as opposed to 7:30. A brief discussion was held and it was decided to keep the meeting at 7:30.

OLD BUSINESS The letter received by the commission from Norman Beatty, and the project involved, was briefly discussed. It was noted that Mr. Beatty called the office and was upset with the letter that was sent by the commission. The letter that Beatty ultimately sent to the commission was greatly subdued. It was noted that the porches were in bad shape and needed to be removed.

APPLICATIONS AT DEADLINE The applications at deadline were briefly review. All projects have been completed.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business before the commission, a motion was made by Billow, seconded by DiTondo to adjourn the meeting. By voice vote, all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Gabel, secretary