

Historic Architectural Review Board

June 12, 2024 Meeting Minutes

The June 12, 2024 public meeting of the Upper Makefield Township Historic Architectural Review Board was called to order by Vice Chair Tom Merchant at 3:00 p.m. In attendance were the following members of the Historic Architectural Review Board: Vice Chair Tom Merchant, Secretary Peter Gilles, Member Andrew Sommers, and Member Denise Burmester. Also in attendance was Township Supervisor Braun Taylor via phone.

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Vice Chair Tom Merchant confirmed a quorum.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the meeting minutes for August 9, 2023. Ms. Burmester made a motion to approve and Mr. Merchant Seconded the motion.

APPLICATIONS:

Mellon, 68 Woodside Lane, New Hope

- The owners of the property were not present at the meeting but provided a letter in the application.
- Roofing replacement: Existing asphalt roofing shingles to be replaced with GAF Timberline UDHZ in Pewter Gray.
- Partial siding replacement: Some portions of the residence have stucco siding. The owner proposes to replace the stucco with James Hardie fiber-cement horizontal lap siding in Arctic White.
- Mr. Merchant made a statement that the lot is in the Brownsburg Historic District, however the development is rather new, and the home was built in 1998. The structure does not match the historic structures in the Brownsburg District.
- Ms. Burmester stated that the building received HARB approval for the original construction. The requirement was to stay within the esthetic of the Brownsburg District.

A motion was made by Mr. Gilles and seconded by Mr. Sommer to approve the application for Certificate of Appropriateness. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

CHAIR REPORT

HARB Chair – James Galvin

No report.

LIASION REPORT

Board of Supervisors – Braun Taylor

Mr. Taylor made a statement about the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission's plan to replace the historic Washington Crossing bridge. Mr. Taylor encouraged members to attend the next DRJTBC meeting on June 24th to ask questions or make comments.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Merchant and seconded by Ms. Sommer to adjourn the meeting at 3:23 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Approved: Mr. Merchant made a motion to approve minutes as written by Peter Gilles and seconded by Mr. Sommers. Motion carried by unanimous vote to approve. 9/30/24