

**Historic Preservation Advisory Committee to the Lawrence Township Zoning Board**

Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2025

**Opening of Meeting/Call to Order**

The general meeting of the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee to the Lawrence Township Zoning Board was called to order at 7:34pm on February 10, 2025, in the Manager's Conference Room at the Lawrence Municipal Building by Ed McDonald.

**Statement of Proper Notice:** Adequate notice of this regular meeting of the Lawrence Township Historic Preservation Advisory Committee has been provided by filing the annual meeting schedule with the Municipal Clerk as required by law, and by filing this agenda and notice with the Municipal Clerk, posting prominently in the Municipal Building, and mailing to the Trenton Times newspaper.

**Roll Call**

Members	Present	Absent	Time of arrival after meeting called to order
Joe Ciccone	X		
Joseph Como (Vice Chair)	X		
Denny Cox		X	
Wolf Hul	X		
Edward McDonald (Chair)	X		
John Pavlik	X		
Patricia Hendricks Farmer (Liaison)	X		
Douglas Sargent	X		

**1. Approval of September 2024 Meeting Minutes**

Members	Made	Second	Yes	No	Abstain
Joe Ciccone			X		
Joseph Como (Vice Chair)			X		
Wolf Hul	X				
Edward McDonald (Chair)		X			
John Pavlik			X		
Patricia Hendricks Farmer (Liaison)			X		
Douglas Sargent			X		

## **2. New Applications**

### **a. 2489 Main St.**

One of the investors who purchased 2489 Main St, a contributing structure to the Lawrenceville Historic District, discussed interior renovations and exterior improvements to the property. Floor plans were used to illustrate how the first-floor plan would be opened up and the configurations of the bathrooms and bedrooms on the second and third floor.

On the exterior of the house, it was discussed that all the existing vinyl, one over one windows would be replaced with Andersen 200 Series wood, double hung, one over one windows. The current exterior siding consists of a cedar lapboard and cedar shake. It was noted that any siding that was damaged would be replaced in kind and that the cedar in the rear of the house would be stained. Additionally, a chimney in the rear of the house that is no longer in use will be removed. The roof will be patched with a 3-tab shingle to match the existing roof once the chimney is removed. It was also mentioned that the front doors will remain and be refinished.

Since the owner did not have all the necessary documentation to support the application, they will come back for the March general meeting with additional documentation for a vote by the committee.

## **3. New Business**

### **a. HPAC Guidance Document**

Ed McDonald put together a draft informational brochure about the HPAC to be reviewed by the committee. The committee will gather and share their comments at the March general meeting. EM will talk to Brenda Kraemer, Assistant Municipal Engineer, about any budget that may exist to assist with graphics and mailing the pamphlet to existing residents within the Lawrenceville Historic District and owners of Key Historic Structures. The committee also discussed what the appropriate contact info to include on the pamphlet would be. Possibilities that were suggested were Brenda Kraemer or a dedicated email address for the HPAC.

## **4. Open Comments**

Doug Sargent commented that he currently has three separate historic structure surveys that have been done over the years for the township. The committee saw value in having these hard copy surveys scanned, digitized, and made available to the public, whether it be online or in the library. An additional feature the committee felt beneficial would be if the digitized copy was also searchable. Ed McDonald would contact Brenda Kraemer to see if there was any grant funding available to assist with this effort.

**Adjournment:** Ed McDonald made a motion to adjourn. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

The next general meeting is scheduled for 7:30pm on March 10, 2025.

Minutes submitted by: John Pavlik II AIA, NCARB, LEED AP