

La Mott Historic District, Township of Cheltenham
Board of Historical and Architectural Review
Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.


Location: Video Web Conference Call
Present: Ms. Darlene Melton, Vice Chairperson
Ms. Zilan Munas-Bass, Member
Mr. Thomas Cinaglia, Member
Ms. Emma Trusty, Member
Ms. Julia Detwiler, Staff

1. Ms. Melton called the meeting to order at 6:40 P.M. A quorum was present.
2. Ms. Munas-Bass made a motion to accept the minutes from the February 17, 2022 meeting. Ms. Trusty seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.
3. *Application L22-278 of Howard and Beverly Norward, owners of 1822 Graham Lane, La Mott, PA 19027 for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of a painted wood shed.*

Mr. Norward, property owner, was present and shared with the BHAR the details of the proposed shed and associated landscaping and explained that the shed would not be visible from the street once the landscaping is installed. The shed will be 6'x6' and will be constructed of painted wood on a stone base. Mr. Norward explained that the shed would need to be installed prior to the planting of arborvitae trees and showed photos of the current condition of the area the shed would be located. Ms. Melton asked how large the arborvitae trees would grow. Mr. Norward explained that the trees would grow large enough to screen the shed from the street. Ms. Melton asked if there were shrubs or hedges in that location previously. Mr. Norward explained that these trees will fill in the space that had shrubs before. Ms. Melton asked if arborvitae trees are considered shade trees. Ms. Detwiler explained that shade trees are located between the sidewalk and the curb and that these trees would not be considered shade trees.

Recommendation to the Public Works Committee: Upon motion of Ms. Munas-Bass, the La Mott BHAR unanimously recommended approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for application L22-278 for 1822 Graham Lane, La Mott, PA, for the installation of a painted wood shed in the rear part of the property.

4. Old Business
 - A. Ms. Munas-Bass inquired about the status of roof work replacement at 12 Latham Parkway, which occurred over one weekend late last year without permits. Staff responded that the Township issued violations followed by citations on this property, and were waiting for a court date for a hearing. It was also determined that the property was up for sheriffs' sale and had school district tax liens. All the issues would be settled as part of the sale of the property.
5. New Business
 - A. Discussion of possible dates for a training led by Megan McNish, Eastern Region Community Preservation Coordinator, PA State Historic Preservation Office. Ms. Detwiler explained that Ms. McNish has offered to lead a training session over Zoom with both the La Mott and Wyncote BHARs on parliamentary procedure. This training would cover meeting procedures and help the BHARs make decisions that are legally enforceable and give clearer standards on how to review applications. Ms. McNish has availability in June and July of 2022. Ms. Munas-Bass shared that she will be traveling this summer and may not be able to attend.
 - B. Ms. Melton shared that she has found two people who may be interested in becoming members of the La Mott BHAR. She added that the state has regulations about the composition of BHARs in terms of having real estate brokers and architects on the board.
6. There being no further business, Ms. Munas-Bass adjourned the meeting at 7:07 P.M.



Robert Zienkowski
Township Manager
Per Julia Detwiler