## CARROLL COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES OF THURSDAY JULY 25, 2024

LOCATION: Carroll County Office Building, Room 003 at 5p.m.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Edwin Gregg, Melvin Brennan, Jessica Penn, Nathan Bell, Ronald Arthur.

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Kyohei Abe.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Timothy Dixon, Counsel; Hannah Weber, Carroll County Bureau of Comprehensive Planning; Moraine Odian, representative of application residence; Erin Snell, owner of application residence; Joy Fisher, owner of application residence; Cate Blanchette, owner of application residence; Liz Arthur, resident of Uniontown; Sam Weaver, resident of Uniontown; Teresa Weaver, resident of Uniontown.

- 1. Introduction of those present: The Commission members all introduced themselves.
- 2. Approve the minutes from the June 11, 2024, meeting Ms. Penn made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Brennan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Maryland Piedmont Reliability Project (MPRP) Discussion Mr. Gregg asked to first open up the meeting to discuss the MPRP. Mr. Gregg explained that he wanted to have this discussion on the agenda in order to have a bigger discussion regarding the project at the regularly scheduled business meeting on August 13t. Mr. Gregg said he wanted to make the other HPC members aware of the project so they could use the next couple weeks to familiarize themselves with the topic before the next meeting.
- 4. New Business Application 24-06; roof repair and shingle replacement at 3462 Uniontown Road. Mr. Gregg opened discussion of this application to the Commission members. Mr. Gregg asked for a motion to accept the application with the information presented in it. Ms. Penn moved to accept the application as submitted and Mr. Brennan seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Gregg then opened the discussion to the applicant, Ms. Moraine Odian, representative of owner, explained their application. Ms. Odiann explained the roof of the vet office is leaking and they need to fix it as well as replace shingles. Ms. Odian provided a piece of the shingle that's existing. There were no questions from the HPC members and no public comment. Mr. Brennan motioned to approve the application and Ms. Penn seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- **5.** New Business Application 24-07; front porch replacement at 3358 Uniontown Road. Mr. Gregg opened discussion of this application to the Commission members. Mr. Gregg asked for a motion to accept the application with the information presented in it. Mr. Brennan moved to accept the application as submitted and Ms. Penn seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Gregg then opened the discussion to the applicant, Ms. Erin Snell, owner of residence, explained their application. Ms. Snell explained that the existing front porch has tongue and groove plank. The planks there are currently rotting

which is why Ms. Snell would like to replace with a non-tongue and groove plank. Ms. Snell also asked for input regarding color of the replacement wood. Mr. Gregg explained after research that the home originally did not have a tongue and groove porch so going bac to a non-tongue and groove porch would be restoring it closer to its original state. Mr. Arthur advised he would not use plank with rounded edges. Mr. Gregg advised he does not like pressure treated boards and yellow pine works well for exterior needs. Mr. Brennan asked for clarification on the color. Ms. Snell said she is open to any color. Mr. Gregg said to keep the color in harmony with the rest of Uniontown porches. Mr. Arthur asked why the applicant doesn't want to use tongue and groove again. Ms. Snell explained she doesn't like the look of it. Mr. Bell advised that non-tongue and groove planks could be more trouble in the future as they retain more moisture. With no more questions and no public comment, Ms. Penn motioned to approve the application with the condition the porch renovations are done with real wood. Mr. Arthur seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

6. New Business – Application 24-08; tree removals at 3441 Uniontown Road. Mr. Gregg opened discussion of this application to the Commission members. Mr. Gregg asked for a motion to accept the application with the information presented in it. Mr. Arthur moved to accept the application as submitted and Mr. Bell seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Gregg then opened the discussion to the applicant, Ms. Cate Blanchette, owner of residence, explained their application. Ms. Blanchette explained they are applying for two trees to be removed, one yew and one dogwood. Ms. Blanchette explained their insurance company is pushing them to remove the dogwood due to a moisture issue with the neighboring home. The insurance company is also pushing them to trim the yew tree which is rotting in the middle. There were no questions from the HPC members and no public comment. Mr. Arthur motioned to approve the application and Mr. Bell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business and no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:32 p.m.

The next meeting will be tentatively scheduled for August 13, 2024.

Approved by:

Edwin T. Gregg, Chair

Respectfully submitted:

Hannah Weber, Comprehensive Planner

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