The Virtual Business Meeting of the Historic Review Board of New Castle County was held on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 via Zoom meetings.

The meeting was called to order by John Davis at [5:00 p.m.]

The following Board members were present:

- Perry Patel (joined 5:05)
- John Brook
- Karen Anderson (joined 5:11)
- Barbara Silber
- John Davis
- Steve Johns
- Rafael Zahralddin
- John Brook

The following Board members were absent:

- None

Historic Review Board, Department of Law

- Colleen Norris

The following Department of Land Use employees were present at the meeting:

- Betsy Hatch
- Chris Jackson

RULES OF ORDER

Ms. Hatch read the rules of procedure into the record.

MEETING MINUTES

February 2, 2021 Business Meeting Minutes

On a motion made by Ms. Silber and seconded by Mr. Brook, the Historic Review Board voted to adopt the meeting minutes from the February 2, 2021 Business Meeting. [In Favor: Davis, Johns, Brook, Zahralddin, Silber; In Opposition: None; Abstention: None; Absent: Patel, Anderson]

HISTORIC MARKER PROGRAM

None.
OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

App. 2021-0108-H: 500 McKennans Church Rd. (TP 08-026.00-055.) Located at the northeast corner of the intersection of McKennans Church Rd and Mill Creek Rd. Demolition permit to demolish the historic manse, constructed ca. 1850. S Zoning. CD 3.

At a virtual meeting held on April 6, 2021, the Historic Review Board considered the proposed application, public testimony provided at its March 16, 2021 public hearing, as well as the recommendation provided by the Department of Land Use.

On a motion made by Mr. Johns and seconded by Mr. Brook, the Historic Review Board voted [In Favor: Johns, Patel, Brook, Silber, Zahralddin, Davis; In Opposition: None; Abstention: None; Absent: Anderson] to RELEASE the proposed demolition permit with the following recommendation:

1. The property owner integrate historic information into a pamphlet or signage for dissemination to the public.

Discussion preceding the vote included the following:

Ms. Hatch read the Department’s recommendation into the record. Ms. Silber stated that the applicant has done a very nice job documenting the churches history as well as the historic manse. She stated that the information should be shared with the public through signage or a pamphlet. On a motion made by Ms. Silber and seconded by Mr. Brook [In Favor: Johns, Patel, Brook, Silber, Zahralddin, Davis; In Opposition: None; Abstention: None; Absent: Anderson], the Historic Review Board voted to amend the motion with the following recommendation:

1. The property owner integrate historic information into a pamphlet or signage for dissemination to the public.


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On a motion made by Ms. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Brook, the Historic Review Board voted [In Favor: Anderson, Johns, Davis, Patel, Brook, Zahralddin, Silber; In Opposition: None; Abstention: None; Absent: None] to recommend CONDITIONAL APPROVAL the application with the following conditions:

1. The applicant provide Historic overlay zoning or deed restrictions as means of surety for the preservation of the structures on the proposed Lot 211 for consideration by the Historic Review Board.
2. Documentation in accordance with HABS Guidelines be completed prior to the release of the demolition permit in the form of updated State CRS forms and measured drawings of the granary structure.

Discussion preceding the vote included the following:

Ms. Hatch read the Department’s recommendation into the record. She noted the Department’s recommendation was based on discussion that occurred with the applicant during the public hearing.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF RULES OF PROCEDURE

None.

REPORT OF THE PRESERVATION PLANNER

None.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRPERSON

None.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

ADJOURNMENT

ATTEST:

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Richard E. Hall, AICP          John R. Davis
General Manager                Chairperson
Department of Land Use          Historic Review Board