

**Borough of Pitman
Historic Preservation Commission
Minutes of January 9, 2020**

Call to Order:

Chairman Madison called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Attendance:

Chairman Madison, Councilman Blass, Ms. LaPlante, Ms. Corma, Mr. Hitchner, Mr. Burns

Historic Commission Purpose & Standards:

Chairman Madison read the Historic Commission Purpose & Standards

Reorganization 2020

Councilman Blass announced the Reorganization of the Borough of Pitman Historic Preservation Commission.

Councilman Blass asked for **nominations for Chairperson for the Borough of Pitman Historic Preservation Commission.**

Ms. LaPlante nominated Mr. Madison second by Mr. Hitchner.

All in favor.

Mr. Madison: **Abstain**

Councilman Blass asked for **nominations for Vice Chairperson for the Borough of Pitman Historic Preservation Commission.**

Chairman Madison nominated Ms. LaPlante second by Ms. Corma.

All in favor.

Ms. LaPlante: **Abstain**

Councilman Blass asked for **nominations for Secretary for the Borough of Pitman Historic Preservation Commission.**

Mr. Hitchner nominated Ms. Corma second by Chairman Madison.

All in favor.

Ms. Corma: **Abstain**

Chairman Madison stated that the open position for Recording Secretary has been advertised.

Chairman Madison **nominated Connie Anderson for Recording Secretary for the Borough of Pitman Historic Preservation Commission, second by Mr. Hitchner.**

All in favor.

Applications for Certificate of Appropriateness:

The following applications were presented by Chairman Madison and reviewed by all members in attendance.

Application No. 2019-48

Aaron Haines
113 Seventh Ave.
Bl 19 / L 27 & 28

Roof / Fence repair

Mr. Madison swore in Mr. Aaron Haines 113 Seventh Ave.

Mr. Haines described and clarified the fence that he intended to install on the property. Mr. Duffield, Zoning Officer stated that he visited the property at the request of several members of the Historic Preservation Commission.

Ms. LaPlante motioned, second by Ms. Corma **to recommend Application No. 2019-48 to the Planning / Zoning Board.**

Chairman Madison: **Yes**
Ms. Corma: **Yes**

Ms. LaPlante: **Yes**
Mr. Hitchner: **Yes**

Public Comments

Mr. Madison recognized **Mr. Mike Bianco, 2334 East Landis Ave. Vineland.**

Mr. Bianco stated that they were interested in starting a small business in the uptown Pitman business district. He explained the two different locations that they were interested in, and what their ideas were. He added that they had questions regarding what kind of stipulations there were on signs, colors etc.

Ms. LaPlante as well as Councilman Blass suggested that they speak to the Chamber of Commerce, the Economic Development Committee as well as the Historic Preservation Commission, as they are all here to help them succeed.

There was discussion and suggestions from the members of the Commission.

Approval of December 2019 Minutes

Councilman Blass noted that there were not enough members present to approve the December 2019 minutes and that approval would be delayed until the next meeting.

Old Business

Chairman Madison noted that the house on North Ave, did replace the back rails.

Report from Zoning Officer

Mr. Duffield, Zoning Officer, stated that **178 North Ave.** would be receiving a letter from the Borough Solicitor in reference to her fence approval.

128 Fifth Ave. is still an issue and has applied for neither a Zoning Permit nor a Certificate of Appropriateness.

171 North Ave. The fence that was moved out to the sidewalk has been moved back due to the sale of the property.

55 Simpson Ave. The new owner is installing a carport and has not applied for any permits. They have been issued a stop work order by the Construction Office.

Mr. Duffield stated that he has made an informal and inexact survey of the fences in the Pitman Grove. There was further discussion of the different fences in the Grove and the violations and when to address the issues.

New Business

A sample of the leaflet prepared, for distribution to the Grove residents regarding guidelines of the Historic Preservation Commission, was presented. Changes and suggestions to this leaflet would be made at the next meeting of the Commission.

Mr. Hitchner stated that it has been suggested that the Commission redo the guidelines. He will be sending a link of the Secretary of the Interiors standard for preservation to all members of this commission for review.

Council Report

Councilman Blass reported that at the last Council meeting they covered regular business and bill paying. He then stated that the Borough held their annual Reorganization and reported the changes of Council reassignments. He is also investigating the archives of the Historic Commission and why the uptown business district was included in the Historic District.

Mr. Hitchner **motioned to adjourn, second by Ms. LaPlante.**

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Anderson
Recording Secretary
Borough of Pitman
Historic Preservation Commission

