

TOWN OF AMHERST
Historic District Commission

September 16, 2021

APPROVED

In attendance: Chris Hall – Vice-Chair, Tom Grella – Board of Selectmen Ex-Officio, and Bill Rapf.

Staff present Nic Strong – Community Development Director, and Kristan Patenaude – Recording Secretary (remote).

Chris Hall called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m. He noted that the Commission does not have a quorum present (four members), and thus cannot formally vote on any items at hand. The Commission can still hear from applicants and discuss advice if the applicant so chooses.

Chris Hall took a roll call to begin: Chris Hall, Tom Grella, and Bill Rapf – all present.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Minutes: August 19, 2021

The Commission agreed to defer these minutes to October 21, 2021.

2. Interview for Historic District Commission alternate candidate

It was noted that the alternate candidate was not present. The Commission agreed to postpone this item to October 21, 2021.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. CASE #: PZ14692-082721 – Joanne & Wilfred Zeolie (Owners & Applicants); 8 Foundry Street, PIN #: 017-031-000 – Request for approval to install a 14'x28' in-ground swimming pool with an attached 7'x7'spa and a 3-foot patio of sandstone.

Joanne and Wilfred Zeolie joined the Commission.

Wilfred Zeolie explained that the company installing the pool filled out the application for them and they believed this was all that was necessary.

Chris Hall noted that the pool will be essentially invisible from the public view because it is proposed at ground level. There may be a seasonal viewpoint from Clark School. The pool is proposed to be approximately 75 yards from the road.

Wilfred Zeolie stated that the pool equipment placement has not yet been determined. He is hoping to place it behind the existing shed.

Chris Hall suggested to the applicant that the equipment not be within the public view and that it not be a detriment to the neighbors from a noise perspective. He noted that the regulations look for outdoor structures to be placed appropriately to not distract from the historic feel of the home, and that equipment be shielded.

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43 Wilfred Zeolie stated that his neighbors to the sides have been accommodating regarding the
44 proposed project so far.

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46 The Commission agreed to postpone further discussion on this item until October 21, 2021.

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48 The meeting was adjourned at 7:33pm.

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51 Respectfully submitted,
52 Kristan Patenaude

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54 Minutes approved: October 21, 2021