

**Lincoln Historical Commission**  
**Historic District Commission**  
**Brown's Wood Historic District Commission**  
**Virtual Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, January 14, 2021**

**Board Members:** Andrew Glass, Chair, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Andy Ory, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Gary Anderson, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Christopher Boit, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Doug Adams, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Robert Domnitz, HDC/BWHDC  
**Alternates:** Frank Clark, HDC/LHC/BWHDC; Judith Lawler, Alternate, HDC/LHC/BWHDC  
(Members Unavailable: Lynn Delisi, HDC/BWHDC; Allen Vander Meulen, Alternate, HDC/LHC/BWHDC)

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The virtual meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 2, 2021, at 7:30 p.m.

**Historic District Commission:**

**Certificate of Non-Applicability:**

2 Weston Road: David Jacobs came before the Historic District Commission (HDC) for permission to repair a fence with like materials. Frank Clark made a motion to approve the issuance of a Certificate of Non-Applicability for the repair of the fence with like materials as shown in photographs presented to the HDC and as discussed at the meeting. Judith Lawler seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Bob Domnitz-aye; Doug Adams-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Christopher Boit-aye; Frank Clark-aye; Gary Anderson-aye; Andrew Glass-aye. Andy Ory abstained because he was not present for the discussion.

68 Baker Bridge Road: Betsy Holland, Preservation Manager of Historic New England, came before the HDC for permission to repair the roof on the garage/visitor center at the Gropius House with like materials. Ms. Holland presented photographs of the condition of the existing garage roof. The roof was last repaired in 1996 and is now leaking, causing damage to the interior of the garage. Ms. Holland indicated that Historic New England will replace the existing roof with a like tar and gravel roof system, the same system that the HDC recently approved for installation on the house porch roof. The scope of work would be to (1) remove the existing tar and gravel roof down to the roof boards, (2) repair or replace deteriorated roof boards as necessary, (3) add a 1/2-inch layer of fiberboard insulation, (4) add new drip edge and two metal scuppers made from lead-coated copper to match the appearance of the existing system, and (5) install a four-ply fiberglass tar and gravel roof system. Doug Adams made a motion to approve the issuance of a Certificate of Non-Applicability for the repair of the garage/visitor center roof with like material as shown in photographs presented to the HDC and as discussed at the meeting. Frank Clark seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Bob Domnitz-aye; Doug Adams-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Christopher Boit-aye; Frank Clark-aye; Gary Anderson-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye.

**Certificate of Appropriateness:**

7 Lincoln Road: Thomas Darling came before the HDC for permission to install a hot tub on the north side of the house. The location would be visible from the public trail. There will be no exterior lighting of the hot tub. Andy Ory made a motion to approve the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of the hot tub as shown in photographs presented to the HDC and as discussed at the meeting. Doug Adams seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Bob Domnitz-aye; Doug Adams-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Christopher Boit-aye; Frank Clark-aye; Gary Anderson-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye.

Historical Road Name Project: The Lincoln Historical Society postponed, until February 2, 2021, its application to install historical names for the road names in the Lincoln Center to honor the historical research conducted by Kerry Glass.

**Brown's Wood Historic District Commission:**

Hearing Regarding Application to Add a Property to the Brown's Wood Historic District: Andrew Glass presented the report and proposed warrant article regarding the application of the owners of 11 Moccasin Hill to join the Brown's Wood Historic District (BWHD). The Commission had submitted the report to the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) and the Lincoln Planning Board, as required by state statute, in November 2020. The original 1956 house burned to the ground in 1975. Reese and Bond, architects, designed the current house. The house features floor-to-ceiling glass windows salvaged from the Henry Cobb deigned Hancock Building in Boston. The MHC voted to approve the application in December 2020. Mr. Glass will review the report with the Planning Board in February or March 2021. Gary Anderson expressed the Commission's great appreciation for the stewardship of the house by the owners Jason Kass and Courtney Bernasconi and for their generosity in joining the BWHD. Gary Anderson made a motion to approve the report and application of 11 Moccasin Hill to join the BWHD. Christopher Boit seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Bob Domnitz-aye; Doug Adams-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Christopher Boit-aye; Frank Clark-aye; Gary Anderson-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye.

Doug Adams made a motion to approve the warrant article regarding the application of 11 Moccasin Hill to join the BWHD as worded in the January 14, 2021 BWHDC agenda. Judith Lawler seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Bob Domnitz-aye; Doug Adams-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Christopher Boit-aye; Frank Clark-aye; Gary Anderson-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye.

**Historic District Commission:**

Re-approval of Warrant Article for Addition of One Property to Historic District: Andrew Glass presented the proposed warrant article regarding the application of the owner of 126 Old Concord Road to join the Historic District (HD). The Town had postponed consideration of the warrant article from Town Meeting 2020 to Town Meeting 2021. The house is one of the three original parcels in the Old Concord Road neighborhood as developed by Lincoln architect Quincy Adams on his family's estate. The house sits on the site of the original 1889-90 house, overlooking the meadow designed by Frederick Law Olmsted that stretches down to Fairhaven Bay on the Sudbury River. The grounds were part of the historic Baker Farm about which Henry David Thoreau wrote in *Walden*. Mr. Glass expressed the Commission's great appreciation for the stewardship of the house and landscape by Rob Todd and his late wife Harriett Todd and for Mr. Todd's generosity in joining the HD. Judith Lawler made a motion to approve the warrant article regarding the application of 126 Old Concord Road to join the HD as worded in the January 14, 2021 HDC agenda. Doug Adams seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Bob Domnitz-aye; Doug Adams-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Christopher Boit-aye; Frank Clark-aye; Gary Anderson-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye.

**Brown's Wood Historic District Commission:**

Re-approval of Warrant Article to Correct Clerical Error: The 2019 warrant article for 8 Moccasin Hill to join the BWHD had a clerical error regarding the property's parcel number that will be corrected at the 2021 Town Meeting. Christopher Boit made a motion to approve the warrant article to correct the clerical error for the 8 Moccasin Hill parcel number as worded in the January 14, 2021 BWHDC agenda. Frank Clark seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Bob Domnitz-aye; Doug Adams-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Christopher Boit-aye; Frank Clark-aye- Gary Anderson-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye.

## **Lincoln Historical Commission:**

### **Demolition Plan Review:**

**8 Silver Hill Road:** Catherine Truman, architect, representing the applicants Andy and Kathy Gabelman, came before the Lincoln Historical Commission (LHC) for a demolition plan review. At its December 1, 2020 meeting, the LHC had determined that 8 Silver Hill Road was historically and culturally significant because of its relationship to the historically important Cannon field as recognized in the conservation restriction agreement governing the field and surrounding parcels. Ms. Truman presented the current plans for the proposed house, incorporating suggestions from the Commission. The house is set back from Silver Hill Road as far as possible and will re-use a portion of the foundation of the existing house. Ms. Truman also explained that she had reduced the massing of the house along Silver Hill Road and that the roof ridge of the proposed house is lower than that of the existing house. Geoff McGean of the Lincoln Land Conservation Trust which holds conservation restrictions, indicated that he appreciates the new design and that it will fit well with the landscape. Sarah Cannon Holden spoke in favor of the project. Ben Armstrong of Weston Road spoke in favor of the project. Doug Adams made a motion that the existing house is not preferably preserved with respect to the proposed replacement so that the existing house may be demolished and replaced with the house as shown in the plans presented to the LHC at its January 14, 2021 meeting, subject to the applicants taking photographs documenting the exterior and interior of the existing house and providing the LHC with a set of those photographs. Christopher Boit seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote of LHC members: Doug Adams-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Christopher Boit-aye; Frank Clark-aye; Gary Anderson-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye.

**Minutes:** Christopher Boit made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 1, 2020 meeting as written. Judith Lawler seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Bob Domnitz-aye; Doug Adams-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Christopher Boit-aye; Frank Clark-aye; Gary Anderson-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye.

At 9:05 p.m., Doug Adams made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Andy Ory seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Bob Domnitz-aye; Doug Adams-aye; Judith Lawler-aye; Christopher Boit-aye; Frank Clark-aye; Gary Anderson-aye; Andy Ory-aye; Andrew Glass-aye.

*Submitted by Elaine Carroll*

Approved: 2/2/21