

**A SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES OF THE  
GLEN RIDGE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION  
HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

**October 4, 2017**

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**OPMA & Roll Call**

Chair Herrigel called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and Ms. Henry read the Sunshine Act Notice and called the roll.

PRESENT: Chair Herrigel  
Vice Chair Githens  
Darby  
Kopec  
McMahon  
Vande Stouwe

ABSENT: Wright  
Way  
Travia

Secretary Henry  
Margaret Hickey, Consultant to the Historic Preservation Commission

**Introduction**

Chair Herrigel introduced himself and briefly described the hearing process to the members of the public.

**Hearing of the Applications**

**162 Ridgewood Avenue**

**Ajay & Anita Agarwal**

Chair Herrigel called for the application. Anita Agarwal, owner appeared before the Commission to present the application. Ms. Agarwal is appearing before the Commission to discuss a previously, conditionally approved application for a front addition as well as presenting a new project to change the roof over the kitchen.

The Commission first discussed the front addition. Ms. Agarwal requested the items that are still outstanding for this project be sent to her in an email. Mr. Kopec and Ms. Githens agreed to do that.

The Commission then discussed the new application.

On a motion by Ms. Githens, seconded by Mr. McMahon, the application was approved as submitted with the following conditions and subject to subcommittee review and approval:

1. The half-round window should be dropped so only a piece of trim separates the two windows.
2. The half-round window should also be the same width as the window below.

Darby	Yes	Githens	Yes	Herrigel	Yes
Kopec	Yes	McMahon	Yes	Way	Absent
Wright	Absent	Travia (Alt. 1)	Absent	Vande Stouwe (Alt. 2)	Yes

The email that is sent to Ms. Agarwal on the front addition project will include the conditions for the roof change application.

**Takatoshi Sawa**  
**45 Hamilton Road**

Chair Herrigel called for the application. Jonathan Perlstein, architect of record appeared before the Commission to present the application. The owner would like to remove a patio that is facing the street and replace it with a new roofed porch with a top railing on the front of their house. Originally there was a porch on the front of the house. The existing door will also be replaced with a different size door.

The Commission discussed the design.

On a motion by Ms. Githens, seconded by Ms. Vande Stouwe, the application was approved as submitted with the following conditions and subject to subcommittee review and approval:

1. The new front door is to be wider and dimensions and proposed material are to be provided for review and approval.
2. The window that is being changed is to match the existing one located above. The dimensions and the material are to be provided for review and approval.
3. The proposed columns on the side of the front door are to be eliminated.
4. The proposed top railing is to be eliminated.
5. An authorization letter from the owner is to be submitted authorizing Mr. Perlstein to represent the owner on their behalf.

Darby	Yes	Githens	Yes	Herrigel	Yes
Kopec	No	McMahon	Yes	Way	Absent
Wright	Absent	Travia (Alt. 1)	Absent	Vande Stouwe (Alt. 2)	Yes

**Andrew Kremer**  
**33 Lincoln Street**

Chair Herrigel called for the application. Andrew Kremer, owner appeared before the Commission to present the application. As part of a kitchen renovation, the owner is seeking approval to make some window changes.

The Commission discussed the design.

On a motion by Mr. Kopec, seconded by Mr. Darby, the application was approved as submitted with the following condition:

1. 7/8" muntins are to be on the 2 over 2 windows.

Darby	Yes	Githens	Yes	Herrigel	Yes
Kopec	Yes	McMahon	Yes	Way	Absent
Wright	Absent	Travia (Alt. 1)	Absent	Vande Stouwe (Alt. 2)	Yes

**Allen & Margaret Sista**  
**34 Sommer Avenue**

Chair Herrigel called for the application. Margaret and Allen Sista, owners appeared before the Commission to present the application. The owners are seeking approval to open an enclosed porch in the front of their house to its original state.

The Commission discussed the application.

On a motion by Mr. Kopec, seconded by Mr. Darby, the application was approved as submitted ***in concept only***. The Commission requested detailed drawings of the work to be done be submitted for subcommittee review and approval.

Darby	Yes	Githens	Yes	Herrigel	Yes
Kopec	Yes	McMahon	Yes	Way	Absent
Wright	Absent	Travia (Alt. 1)	Absent	Vande Stouwe (Alt. 2)	Yes

**Ingrid & Vince Kozlowski**  
**117 Midland Avenue**

Chair Herrigel called for the application. Ingrid Kozlowski, owner appeared before the Commission to present the application. The owner is seeking approval to 1. Change their front porch railings, 2. Replace the top clapboard siding with a more decorative shaker and fish scale shingles, and 3. Create a small apron in the front of the house on top connecting the broken fascia.

The Commission discussed the application.

On a motion by Ms. Githens, seconded by Mr. McMahon, the application was approved as submitted ***in concept only***. The Commission requested detailed drawings of the work to be done be submitted for subcommittee review and approval. The Commission also requested that the materials being used be noted on the drawings and a cut sheet of the proposed railings be submitted for subcommittee review and approval.

Darby	Yes	Githens	Yes	Herrigel	Yes
Kopec	Yes	McMahon	Yes	Way	Absent
Wright	Absent	Travia (Alt. 1)	Absent	Vande Stouwe (Alt. 2)	Yes

**Public Comment**

Julian Reda, 142 Ridgewood Avenue, Eagle Scout Candidate, provided a read out on his Eagle Scout project. Mr. Reda, under the direction of Mr. Kopec, is creating a database of architecturally historic homes in Glen Ridge.

**Adoption of the September 6, 2017 Minutes**

On a motion by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Kopec, the minutes of the September 6, 2017 meeting were unanimously adopted with the noted changes.

**Subcommittee Reports****97 Sherman Avenue**

Mr. Kopec reviewed and approved the revised drawings. Mr. Wright drafted a detailed letter to be sent to the owner regarding issues with the chimney.

**162 Ridgewood Avenue**

On-going revisions and issues with the family room addition.

**124 Midland Avenue**

Ms. Travia, Ms. Vande Stouwe and Mr. Kopec reviewed and approved changes being made to the front porch.

**523 Ridgewood Avenue**

Mr. McMahon and Mr. Kopec reviewed and approved the revised drawings.

**46 Highland Avenue**

Ms. Robinson, architect of record, met with Mr. Kopec and Ms. Githens regarding changes being made to their previously approved application.

**418 Ridgewood Avenue**

Mr. Wright, Ms. Githens and Ms. Travia reviewed various revisions to the garage roof plan and approved the final version.

**Adjournment**

On a motion by Mr. Darby, seconded by Ms. Githens, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Debi Henry  
Secretary