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MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARINGS CHESTNUT HILL HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

DATE: November 19, 2009

PLACE/TIME: City Hall, Room 202
7:30pm

ATTENDING: John Wyman, Chair Liviu Brill Vice-Chair
William Roesner, Member Lois McMullin, Member
Joyce Dostale, Member Brian Lever, Staff
See Attendance List

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with John Wyman presiding as Chair. Voting permanent members were Wyman, Brill, Roesner, McMullin, and Dostale. Dostale arrived at 7:35. The meeting was taped on two tapes.

51 Gate House Road – Certificate of Appropriateness

Owner of the property Jayant Sinha, presented a final plan for landscape piers with lanterns on either side of the driveway. Roesner stated that he was concerned that the property was looking less and less like the carriage house that was the original building. Sinha stated that he had selected antique looking lanterns. Brill stated that the lanterns might be damaged by ice and snow collecting on the piers. Wyman motioned to approve the submission and McMullin seconded.

At a scheduled meeting and public hearing on November 19, 2009 the Chestnut Hill Historic District Commission, by vote of 4-1,

RESOLVED to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for the application as submitted for the proposed landscape piers and lanterns on either side of the driveway.

Voting in the Affirmative:

John Wyman, Chair
Liviu Brill Vice-Chair
Lois McMullin, Member
Joyce Dostale, Member

Voting in the Negative:

William Roesner, Member

134 Chestnut Hill Road – Certificate of Appropriateness

Architect for the property owner David O'Sullivan presented an application to install four lighted stone piers at the driveway ends. The left-hand most pier would have an extension of a stone wall connecting to it. This is a resubmission of a revised application, which had been denied in September due to the inappropriate size of the piers. The piers have since been reduced in size responding to Commission suggestions. Roesner recommended that other piers be connected with stone walls or small stone wall sections. Wyman motioned to approve the submission and Brill seconded.

At a scheduled meeting and public hearing on November 19, 2009 the Chestnut Hill Historic District Commission, by vote of 5-0,