

# **Birmingham Township**

## **Chester County**

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### **BIRMINGHAM TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD (HARB) MINUTES**

**March 19, 2024**

#### **The following were in attendance:**

Mary Pat McCarthy	Chairperson, HARB
Scott Garrison	Vice-Chairman, HARB
Daniel Campbell, AIA	Member, HARB
Matt Spellman	Substitute Building Code Official
Melissa Urbany	Secretary, HARB

#### **The following were not in attendance:**

Dan Hill	Member, Board of Supervisors
Chris Nash	Member, HARB
Vincent DiMartini	Building Code Official

Chairperson McCarthy called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Birmingham Township building. A quorum was declared.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FEBRUARY 20, 2024**

Mr. Garrison motioned to approve last month's minutes. Mr. Campbell seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

#### **Announcements/Training**

Mr. Campbell forwarded HARB members a free webinar via email titled "The Use of Substitute Materials on Historic Building Exteriors". This will take place on March 21st.

#### **1230 Birmingham Road/Berlon/Small Addition**

Mr. Berlon was present tonight requesting a recommendation from HARB for a small addition on his home located at 1230 Birmingham Road. The proposed addition will be approximately 188 square feet, located in the back of the home, and will be used for a mudroom and bathroom. It will be built onto the sunroom which was also an addition built around twenty years ago. The new windows will be four over four, and the sunroom windows will also be updated to match. Mr. Campbell believes this is more historically appropriate than what's currently in place. The new

siding will be Boral Dutch Lap in a color that matches the rest of the home; ACE was able to mix an exact match. The back door will have either one glass panel or four glass lights. The window trim will be either medium green or white at Mr. Berlon's discretion. Lastly, the roof will be standing seam and match either the home or garage. Mr. Campbell noted that the traditional paint color for metal roofs was red.

Mr. Campbell motioned to approve the materials that Mr. Berlon presented with the option of using square lights in the entry door and color scheme matching the garage or house at the owner's option. Mr Garrison seconded; all in favor.

**There was no public comment.**

With no further business, Mr. Garrison motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Spellman seconded; all in favor. The HARB meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM.

**Respectfully submitted,**  
Melissa Urbany, HARB Secretary