

**Design Review and Historic Preservation Board
Minutes
June 11, 2020**

PRESENT

Dirk Schneider, Chairman; John Mitchell, Leticia Fornataro, Paul Whitbeck, Bonnie Salem, Kathleen Cristman

ALSO PRESENT

Mark Lenzi, Building Inspector; Allen Reitz, Assistant Building Inspector; Susan Donnelly, Secretary to the Board; Robert Koegel, Town Attorney; Kevin Beckford, Town Board Liaison

Proceedings of a regular meeting of the Pittsford Design Review and Historic Preservation Board were held on Thursday, June 11 at 6:00 P.M. local time. The meeting took place with Board members and applicants participating remotely using Zoom.

ABSENT

David Wigg

Dirk Schneider opened the meeting at 6:00 pm.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION DISCUSSION

The Board discussed scheduling a fall date for the Historic Landmark Homes reception. It was recommended that the date be scheduled for later in the year so that the public would feel comfortable attending given this year's COVID pandemic. Potential dates were mentioned – October 15 or 29 or November 5 or 19. The invited speaker will be contacted to determine his availability.

RESIDENTIAL APPLICATION FOR REVIEW

- **48 N. Country Club Drive**

The Applicant is requesting design review for the renovation and addition to an existing home. The additions will total approximately 270 sq. ft. and will add square footage to the existing garage and to the front of the home.

James Fahy of Fahy Designs was present to represent the homeowners.

Mr. Fahy discussed the proposed renovations to include additional living space and a third bay garage. The applicant has received an area variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals for a side setback. The total square footage will be 2539 sq. ft. A sunroom which has fallen into disrepair will be removed.

Materials will be cultured stone in a dark grey color, Hardi Board siding, casement windows, architectural dark grey shingles on the roof and carriage style garage doors. The third bay will be set back from the two bay garage. There will be three windows on the front elevation as reflected in the rendering on A 3.0 on the plans. Mr. Fahy stated that the window scaping will be accentuated on the rear of the home so the homeowners may enjoy the adjacent golf course views.

Leticia Fornataro move to accept the application as submitted.

Paul Whitbeck seconded.

All Ayes.

- **9 Thomas Grove**

The Applicant is requesting design review for the addition of a porch. The porch will be located to the rear of the home and will be approximately 529 sq. ft.

David Burrows, architect for the project, was present to discuss the application with the Board.

Mr. Burrows stated that Steve Walsh of Walsh Custom Concepts had developed the project and Mr. Burrows had been called in on the project to add design features.

Mr. Burrows designed a open gable porch with two sides open. There will be 2 hip roofs and a ridge roof. Two 6 x 6 posts will be wrapped and framed and trimmed with cultured stone on the bottom. There is potential for an outside kitchen to be added to the porch addition. The shingle product had not yet been chosen.

Dirk Schneider commented that he did not feel that the tapered columns reflected the architecture on the front elevation of the home.

John Mitchell moved to accept the application as submitted.

Bonnie Salem seconded.

All Ayes.

- **52 N. Country Club Drive**

The Applicant is requesting design review for the proposed construction of a covered porch/patio. The proposed construction will total 186 sq. ft. The deck extension is a separate project and is not part of this review.

The homeowner, Jeff Bornheim, was present to discuss the project with the Board.

Mr. Bornheim discussed the proposed cover to the patio. He stated that the rooflines would match the existing.

Leticia Fornataro disclosed that she know the applicant personally but has no prejudices nor financial interest in the project.

Robert Koegel indicated that this presents no conflict of interest and Ms. Fornataro should feel free to vote on the application.

Paul Whitbeck noted that the new proposed construction is favorable.

Bonnie Salem moved to accept the application as submitted.

John Mitchell seconded.

All Ayes.

COMMERCIAL APPLICATION FOR REVIEW

- **3819 Monroe Avenue**

The Applicant is requesting design review to change the siding on an existing commercial building. The building currently has white siding and the applicant would like to change the color to the "Bluish" color submitted.

Mike Nichting was present to discuss the application with the Board.

Mark Lenzi explained that a color change on a commercial building on the Monroe Avenue corridor is subject to the approval of the Design Review Board.

Bonnie Salem disclosed that she knows the applicant personally but she has no prejudice in the project and no financial interest.

Robert Koegel indicated that no conflict of interest exists and Ms. Salem should feel free to vote in this matter.

Mr. Nichting stated that the roof would be torn off and the siding would be replaced with a blue vinyl siding replacement to match the signage on the front of the building.

Kathleen Cristman moved to accept the application as submitted.

Dirk Schneider seconded.

All Ayes.

- **5611 Palmyra Road**

The Applicant is requesting design review for the addition of a business identification sign. The main area of the sign will be white and in the shape of a tooth. The lettering identifying "Pitcher Pediatric Dental" will be black.

The applicant, Marci Mendola-Pitcher, was present to discuss the application with the Board.

Ms. Pitcher stated that the sign is larger in the rendering than it will actually be. She had hoped for a larger sign to accommodate her extended last name.

Mark Lenzi explained that the Zoning Board of Appeals granted approval of a 10 ft. square sign and that the Design Review Board cannot override the decision of the Zoning Board.

Bonnie Salem inquired about the lighting of the sign. Ms. Pitcher explained that the electrical is present for a flood light but the sign itself will not be internally illuminated. Per the use variance the sign may only be lit during specific hours.

Paul Whitbeck moved to accept the application as submitted.

John Mitchell seconded.

All Ayes.

REVIEW OF 5/28/2020 MINUTES

Bonnie Salem moved to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2020 meeting as submitted.

Leticia Fornataro seconded.

All Ayes.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Donnelly
Secretary to the Board