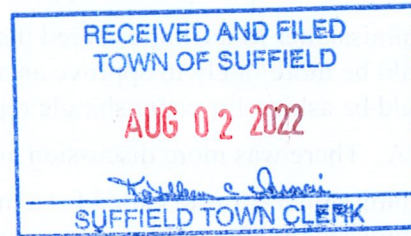


Suffield Historic District Commission Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting: June 6, 2022; 7:30 P.M.
Town Hall Meeting Room 83 Mountain Rd.

Commissioner John Schwemmer called The Historic District Commission meeting to order at 7:30 pm on Monday June 6, 2022.

Attendees: Commissioner
Scott MacClintic
John Schwemmer
Bill Moryto
Klaire Bielonko
Aysha Moore-Manwaring



Approval of minutes:

Commissioner MacClintic called for a motion to approve the April minutes as submitted. Commissioner Moryto seconded the motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Commissioner Bielonko noted a discrepancy in the attendee's portion of the minutes. The name correction was noted. Commissioner Moryto called for a motion to approve the amended minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Applications for a Certificate of Appropriateness

a. 1119 Hill St., Renovations and Additions

The home owner addressed the commission in regards to a proposed two story project, which would include a relocation of a chimney. The chimney would be moved and reconstructed on the North side of the building. The homeowner shared paper renderings of the proposed project and shared that as viewed from the street, the changes would be minimal.

Commissioner Bielonko asked what the patio materials would consist of to which the homeowner answered concrete.

The commission reviewed the proposed drawings as a group. The homeowner and the commission conversed further about the various property views. The view from the street reveals the edge of the roof. The kitchen will be bumped out about 4 feet and once the project is completed the only visible change will be the second floor addition.

Commissioner Schwemmer asked about the look of the existing chimney in comparison to the new chimney. The homeowner replied that the new chimney would match the other existing chimney.

The one window in question from the May meeting will match all the other windows.

Commissioner Moryto called for a motion to approve the application as submitted by the homeowner with the amendment that the chimney be built to match the original corbel.

Commissioner Moore-Manwaring seconded the motion. The commission voted and approved the amended application unanimously.

b. 289 S. Main St., Roofing change/vent covers and gutters to match existing style

The 1997 replication home is in need of a roofing change. The homeowner addressed the commission and shared the need for a roof replacement. The homeowner proposed a high end asphalt shingle option as opposed to replacing the roof with cedar shingles.

Commissioner MacClintic shared that since the property is a replica and not historic he would be more likely to approve an asphalt shingle and had the home been historic he would be asking for cedar shingle replacement in kind.

A. There was more discussion amongst the commission regarding color.

Commissioner Moryto called for a motion to approve the application as proposed. Commissioner Moore-Manwaring seconded the motion. Commissioner Schwemmer asked the group if there was any further discussion. Commissioner Bielonko asked for the groups' thoughts regarding the decorative nature of the roof. There was discussion amongst the group regarding oversight of the color of the shingles. The homeowner is attempting to match color as best they can. The HDC does not typically drive color, with the exception of highly decorative materials. Commissioner Schwemmer called for a vote.

In Favor: John Schwemmer, Scott MacClintic, Bill Moryto & Aysha Moore-Manwaring
Abstained: Klaire Bielonko

Discussion:

a. 3 lots in Stonegate development:

Commissioner Bielonko brought forward a concern on behalf of concerned citizens regarding lots 5 and 6 and was unable to locate a certificate of appropriateness. Lot 1 has been approved. If the building department did not receive HDC approval, the building department would not have allowed a permit in theory Commissioner MacClintic shared with the group. Commissioner MacClintic suggested a need to follow up with the building department – to determine if the permits got issued without the HDC weighing in. Commissioner Schwemmer assigned Commissioner Bielonko to speak with the building department regarding the status of the permits and go from there to see what can be learned. There was consensus among the group that the HDC needs to continue asking that projects get appropriate HDC approvals.

b. Tobacco shed

An update was provided that the state is holding up demolition of the Tobacco shed on Main Street and will continue to provide updates.

Commissioner Schwemmer called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Moryto seconded the motion. Motion to adjourn the meeting was approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at approx. 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Melinda Plourde

These minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.