

- CALL TO ORDER Loretta Frankovitch called the Historical Preservation Commission meeting to order at 6:00PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- PRESENT Loretta Frankovitch, Peter Coppins, Susan Hofert, Rita Geiben, Jim Fittante
David Giusiana and Secretary Stephanie Myers
- MINUTES Peter Coppins made a motion to approve the September 14, 2020 minutes. Rita Geiben seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- OLD BUSINESS **760 Center Street Suite 110 – Tim Hortons**
The directional signs have been resubmitted smaller than what was previously approved.

Peter Coppins made a motion to approve the newly submitted three directional signs, measuring 10” by 31”. Susan Hofert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The two wall signs will be just script with lights behind creating a halo affect around the letters.

Jim Fittante made a motion to approve the two wall signs as presented. Peter Coppins seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- NEW BUSINESS **1. Academy Park Band Shell**
David Giusiana presented the plan to move the band shell to the south west corner of Academy Park. Giusiana said there will also be an addition to the current structure as well. There will be utilities at the new location.

Chairwoman Frankovitch asked if there will be any provisions for seating. Mayor Welch responded there will be lawn seating.

Peter Coppins asked what will happen at the current location. Mayor Welch responded grass will be planted there for now.

Peter Coppins made a motion to approve the development plans as presented. Jim Fittante seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- 2. 625 Center Street Certificate of Appropriateness Application # 2020-15**
Sam Talarico presented a proposed sign for Century 21; Using the same frame that has been there for 20 years and adding the new Century 21 sign with the web address and phone number.

Chairwomen Frankovitch asked about the colors. Talarico responded that the brown and gold are the Century 21 brand colors.

Jim Fittante made a motion to approve Certificate of Appropriateness #2020-15 as presented. Rita Geiben seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- 3. 145 S 4th Street Certificate of Appropriateness Application # 2020-16**
Jim Olson presented plans for a new garage. The current house and garage have vinyl siding.

Susan Hofert asked if the new driveway would exit on S 3rd Street. Jim Olson responded yes; I have already had a telephone pole moved for this.

Frankovitch asked Mr. Olson if he plans to mimic the main historic house. Mr. Olson responded that when he had the plans drawn up he didn’t have that in mind. If I do that, it will be against village code for height and I would need a variance.

Jim Fittante made a motion to approve Certificate of Appropriateness #2020-16 as presented. Rita Geiben seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Water Street Landing**

David Giusiana presented plans for 115 S Water Street to remove the wall of siding on the south side and create a covered walkway, keeping the current footprint of the building.

Frankovitch asked Giusiana if they could mirror the double columns that are on the north side. Giusiana responded yes.

Loretta Frankovitch made a motion to approve the development plans as presented with the addition to mirror the double columns from the north side. Rita Geiben seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

5. 505 Center Street Certificate of Appropriateness Application # 2020-17

This item was tabled.

6. 250 S 4th Street Certificate of Appropriateness Application # 2020-16

The homeowner, Linda Hermoza, explained to the Historical Preservation Commission that when she purchased the home, she asked her realtor, the selling realtor and her attorney if the home was designated historic, and if she could do construction without permits. She was told the home was not historic and she could move forward without permission and did not need any permits.

Hermoza stated they chose a grey vinyl for the siding, the endcaps to be white and the doors to be black. The homeowners said they went with the most cost-effective materials. They went with a Dutch lap vinyl siding and kept the colors neutral to keep the historic theme. Also looking to add new shutters to the windows. Replace the current scalloping on the front of the house with vinyl scalloping. The trim work about the door is going to be wrapped in metal and painted white. Hermoza said we are looking to keep the character of the home but are limited.

Peter Coppins said the main concern is the house has always had wood siding. It also falls into the historic district.

Jim Fittante said the recommended through SHPPO is hardi -type board that matches the width of the existing siding. The current vinyl siding that is currently going up without a permit is covering up the existing historic trim.

Loretta Frankovitch stated that you cannot cover up the architectural details of the house.

Peter Coppins said we made a precedence with the Griffon and they had to change their plans. We have had others who have had to take vinyl siding off. It is unfortunate that the information is not given to new homeowners when they come into the village.

Susan Hofert suggested vinal siding on the side and the back and Hardie Board on the front that matches. Frankovitch said it is not recommended in the standards to have different siding. Fittante said once the wood is covered up that could add more deterioration to the historical structure.

Frankovitch stated when you move into a new township, I would encourage you to approach the township before any project starts. There is not a building permit on file or a Certificate of Appropriateness.

Frankovitch stated she has serious issues not with just the siding but with covering up the architectural details of the front door even if they are wrapped in vinyl. It's not going to have the character; it won't even look like a historic home.

Clerk Fundis told the homeowner if a building permit would have been applied for they would have been told 250 S 4th Street was a historically designated home. Hermoza stated her realtor inquired and was told a building permit was not needed. Secretary Myers stated the Village Clerks Office was never contacted regarding 250 S 4th Street.

Jim Fittante asked who the contractor was and said they should have known to apply for a building permit as well. Peter Coppins added the contractor can not start work legally without that permit.

Rita Geiben made the suggestion again to use vinyl on the sides and back and use Hardie Board on the front. She asked Hermoza if that would be acceptable.

Hermoza said no; this is not in our budget. All the materials have already been purchased, this is all we can do, it is not something we are ready or prepared to do, we will fall under undue hardship and that is very unfair to be asking of us.

Frankovitch gave her recommendations to the homeowners:

- Apply for a permit and have the Building Inspector go through it with you,
- Appeal to your real estate agent, to your attorney, sue them if you have to,
- Or you can appeal to the Village Board

At this point the Historical Preservation is not willing to sign off on this because it is changing the historical structure of the building. You are taking away all of this architectural detail that give that house meaning and we are not ready to approve that.

Peter Coppins made a motion to deny the Application of Certificate of Appropriateness 2020-16. Rita Geiben seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

OTHER

1. Goals

A brief discussion was held on the list of goals for the commission proposed by Chairman Frankovitch.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rita Geiben and seconded by Peter Coppins. It passed unanimously and the meeting was called to a close at 7:18 PM.

Stephanie Myers Secretary