

The Wethersfield Historic District Commission held a Public Hearing on January 25, 2011 at the Wethersfield Town Hall, Town Manager's Conference Room – First Floor, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, Connecticut.

Members Present: Robert Garrey, Chairperson
John Maycock, Vice Chairperson
Gary McLeod, Clerk
Michael Rell
Lisa Wurzer, Alternate

Members Absent: Bette Botticello
Susan Gillanders, Alternate
Mark Raymond, Alternate

Also Present: Kristin Stearley, Historic District Coordinator
Linda Messina, Recording Secretary

Commissioner Garrey called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, and read the opening comments. Commissioner McLeod, Clerk, read the Legal Notice as it appeared in the *Hartford Courant* on January 14, 2011.

APPLICATION NO. 3902-11. Kim Consolli seeking to install a French door and wood steps with railing on the rear of the house and to remove and enclose the door on the south side of the house at 25 Oldham Road.

Matt Gove of Gove Restoration, 70 Main Street, appeared before the Commission. On the south and west sides, behind the garage, they will take out the storm door and side entry door and close that up. They will match the vinyl siding to existing. The window will stay, but the door will go. On the back, they will remove the window and install a French door in its place. The door is a Windsor Pinnacle Series, aluminum clad 15 light door. There will be one or two stairs made out of pressure-treated wood. There will be no railings.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

APPLICATION NO. 3903-11. Joshua Brown seeking to install replacement windows at 480-482 Hartford Avenue.

Joshua Brown of 3 Courtney Lane, Portland, appeared before the Commission. He would like to install Andersen Silverline 8500 simulated divided light vinyl replacement windows. The existing windows are vinyl 6 over 1. He will be replacing the upper sash only with simulated divided light with the muntins affixed to the exterior to match the existing 6 light pattern.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

APPLICATION NO. 3904-11. Karen Dirrigl and Mark Bean seeking to construct a 16'x25' single story addition at 15 Lincoln Road.

Gary Vivian of Cactus Design, 43 Old Pewter Lane, appeared before the Commission. The homeowner would like to add a single story 400 sq. ft. addition. There will be two awning windows on the south elevation. The east and west elevations will have all wood double-hung windows which will be the same size as the existing windows. The door will be all wood, 15 light, with horizontal muntins to match. The new brick chimney will be the same proportion as the existing and will be constructed with the same brick and detailing. The foundation will match the existing. The siding, roof details, and shingles will match the existing. There will be a wood deck/stoop by the French door. The railing will match the existing railing on the house. The gutters and downspouts will match the existing.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

APPLICATION NO. 3905-11. Leslie Waite seeking to install a chimney cap at 235 Garden Street.

Leslie Waite, 235 Garden Street, appeared before the Commission. She has a wood burning fireplace insert. She would like to install a chimney cap that came with the fireplace insert. It is about 6" in diameter and it fits perfectly.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock seconded by Commissioner Rell, and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to close the public hearing on all applications and open the public meeting.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Wurzer

APPLICATION NO. 3902-11. Kim Consolli seeking to install a French door and wood steps with railing on the rear of the house and to remove and enclose the door on the south side of the house at 25 Oldham Road.

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner Rell and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application as submitted.

Discussion

Commissioner Maycock stated that this is an improvement.

Commissioner Garrey stated that if they can match the siding, it's basically no impact.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Wurzer

APPLICATION NO. 3903-11. Joshua Brown seeking to install replacement windows at 480-82 Hartford Avenue.

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner McLeod and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulations:

1. All windows shall be replaced with Andersen Silverline.
2. All windows shall have the upper sash replaced with a 6 light pattern simulated divided light with muntins permanently affixed to the exterior.

Discussion

Commissioner Garrey stated that it was good to see the contractor's documentation. This is definitely an improvement over what was there previously and what is there now. This has a decent profile.

Commissioner Rell stated that the homeowner has gone to great lengths to comply with the code of the Historic District and he understands where we are coming from. He's done a good job.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Wurzer

APPLICATION NO. 3904-11. Karen Dirrigl and Mark Bean seeking to construct a 16'x25' single story addition at 15 Lincoln Road.

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner Rell and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application as submitted.

Discussion

Commissioner Maycock stated that this is an outstanding application.

Commissioner Garrey stated that this is beautifully done to mirror the architecture of the house and is very sensitive to the structure.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Wurzer

APPLICATION NO. 3905-11. Leslie Waite seeking to install a chimney cap at 235 Garden Street.

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner McLeod and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application as submitted.

Discussion

Commissioner Garrey stated that a chimney cap is necessary. It is smaller than some of the cage ones that they've seen.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Wurzer

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Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner Garrey and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the minutes of the January 11, 2011 meeting as submitted.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Wurzer

ABSTAIN: McLeod, Rell

OTHER BUSINESS

Public comments on general matters of the Historic District

None.

Report of the Historic District Coordinator

There will be no meeting on February 8, 2011 since there are no new applications.

Correspondence

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Commissioner Rell, seconded by Commissioner Maycock and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to ADJOURN the meeting at 8:10 PM.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Wurzer

Respectfully Submitted

TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Gary McLeod
Clerk