

The Wethersfield Historic District Commission held a Public Hearing on August 25, 2009 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
Mark Raymond, Alternate

Members Absent: Gary McLeod, Clerk
Susan O'Brien
Michael Rell
Bette Botticello, Alternate

Also Present: Kristin Stearley, Historic District Coordinator

Commissioner Garrey called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, and read the opening comments. Commissioner Maycock, Clerk, read the Legal Notice as it appeared in the *Hartford Courant* on August 14, 2009.

APPLICATION NO. 3721-09. Colleen Sheridan seeking to expand and replace portions of the existing fence and install a railing on the front porch at 31 State Street.

Colleen Sheridan of 31 State Street appeared before the commission. Ms. Sheridan stated that the new railing would be wood and painted white. It would also have a capped railing, square ballusters and a toe kick. The new fence would consist of two (2) sections at 24' and one (1) section of 12'. The fence would be a 6' tall board fence with a lattice top and will be stained to match the existing fence. She will place the pieces of fence removed for the new fence along the driveway to enclose the rear yard.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application.

Cindy Hughes of 14 Meggat Park spoke in favor of the application.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone else 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. 3722-09. Charles and Joanne Stula seeking to construct a 12'x16' gazebo at 53 Nott Street.

Charles and Joanna Stula of 53 Nott Street appeared before the commission. The applicants stated that the gazebo would be constructed of pressure treated wood and painted white. The top half of the gazebo will be screened off. The roof will be black shingles.

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. 3723-09. Thomas Ayres seeking to replace the rear porch roof and install railings on the front steps at 18 Foote Path Lane.

Thomas Ayres of 18 Foote Path Lane appeared before the commission. Mr. Ayres stated that he would like to replace the rear porch roof that was damaged in the tornado. The existing roof is a shed style and the new roof will be pitched. The roofing material will match the existing. The railings for the front steps will be made of wrought iron.

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. 3724-09. Leslie Waite seeking to install vinyl siding at 235 Garden Street.

Leslie Waite of 235 Garden Street and Don Leavitt of Magee Construction in West Hartford appeared before the commission. The applicant stated that she would like to replace the existing cedar shakes with an insulated vinyl siding with a 7" exposure in the color Deep Granite and have a 6" white corner board, also vinyl. The house trim will be white aluminum and will match the existing style.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone else 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. 3725-09. James Pettit seeking to rebuild the rear porch and expand with a 20'x29' deck at 44 Nott Street.

James Pettit of 44 Nott Street appeared before the commission. Mr. Pettit stated that he would like to re-build the rear porch with railings and wood flooring that were previously approved for the front porch. The roof and column will remain. The deck will also include the same railings and the porch and deck will have the same square wood lattice skirt as on the front porch. The deck will be made of wood.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone else 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. 3726-09. Thomas DeSena seeking to install replacement windows at 59 Oldham Road.

Thomas DeSena of 59 Oldham Road appeared before the commission. Mr. DeSena stated that the replacement windows will be Andersen Renewal. They will be double hung, have a simulated divided light, have the muntins applied to both the interior and the exterior, and be in the color white.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone else 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. 3727-09. Kevin and Gail Stewart seeking to construct a 10'x20' storage shed and deck at 411 Main Street.

Kevin Stewart of 411 Main Street appeared before the commission. Mr. Stewart stated that the deck will be constructed of a composite material in a tan color. There will be no railing. The deck will also include benches made of the same composite material. The Shed will be constructed of a wood composite material with roofing to match that on the house.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone else 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. 3728-09. Paul and Clare Meade seeking to change porch roofing material at 373 Main Street.

Clare Meade of 373 Main Street appeared before the commission. Ms. Meade stated that the existing roofing material is tin and she would like to replace it with an asphalt colored rolled roofing by Polyglass.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone else wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application.

Mr. and Mrs. Monstream of 357 Garden Street spoke in favor of the application through written correspondence dated August 18, 2009.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone else 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 Raymond 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, Raymond

APPLICATION NO. 3721-09. Colleen Sheridan seeking to expand and replace portions of the existing fence and install a railing on the front porch at 31 State Street.

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

Discussion

Commissioner Garrey stated that the change would not be aesthetically significant.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Raymond

APPLICATION NO. 3722-09. Charles and Joanne Stula seeking to construct a 12'x16' gazebo at 53 Nott Street.

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

Discussion

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Raymond

APPLICATION NO. 3723-09. Thomas Ayres seeking to replace the rear porch roof and install railings on the front steps at 18 Foote Path Lane.

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

1. The columns shall be square and wood.
2. The railing shall be straight wrought iron on the stairs and landing and shall be located on both sides.

Discussion

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Raymond

APPLICATION NO. 3724-09. Leslie Waite seeking to install vinyl siding at 235 Garden Street.

Upon motion by Commissioner Garrey, seconded by Commissioner Raymond and a poll of the commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulations:

1. The siding shall be Cedar Impressions with mitered corners.
2. The color shall be Deep Granite.

Discussion

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Raymond

APPLICATION NO. 3725-09. James Pettit seeking to rebuild the rear porch and expand with a 20'x29' deck at 44 Nott Street.

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner Raymond and a poll of the commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulation:

1. The detail, design, and materials shall match the front porch.

Discussion

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Raymond

APPLICATION NO. 3726-09. Thomas DeSena seeking to install replacement windows at 59 Oldham Road.

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

1. All windows shall be Andersen Renewal with light patterns to match existing.
2. The muntins shall be permanently applied to the interior, exterior and be located between the glass.

Discussion

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Raymond

APPLICATION NO. 3727-09. Kevin and Gail Stewart seeking to construct a 10'x20' storage shed and deck at 411 Main Street.

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

1. The decking material shall be composite material in the color Tan.
2. The benches shall be made of the same composite material and in the same color.
3. The shed shall be composite material with roofing to match the existing on the house.

Discussion

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Raymond

APPLICATION NO. 3728-09. Paul and Clare Meade seeking to change porch roofing material at 373 Main Street.

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner Raymond and a poll of the commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulation:

1. The roofing material shall be rolled asphalt by Polyglass in the color Slate.

Discussion

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Raymond

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF: August 11, 2009

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commission Raymond and a poll of the Commission the minutes of the August 11, 2009 meeting were approved without objection.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Raymond

OTHER BUSINESS

Public comments on general matters of the Historic District

None.

Report of the Historic District Coordinator

None.

Correspondence

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Commissioner Garrey, seconded by Commissioner Raymond and a poll of the Commission, it was unanimously voted to ADJOURN the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Raymond

Respectfully Submitted
TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

John Maycock
Clerk Pro Tem