

The Wethersfield Historic District Commission held a Public Hearing on May 10, 2016 at the Wethersfield Town Hall, Town Manager's Conference Room – First Floor, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, Connecticut.

Members Present: Douglas Ovian, Vice Chairperson
Chris Lyons, Clerk Pro Tem
John Aforismo, Alternate

Members Absent: Robert Garrey, Chairperson
Mark Raymond, Clerk
Jennifer Wolf
Daniel Bucknam, Alternate
Damien Cregeau, Alternate

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

Commissioner Ovian called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM, and read the opening comments. Commissioner Lyons read the Legal Notice as it appeared in the *Rare Reminder* on April 28, 2016.

APPLICATION NO. 4490-16. Renewal by Andersen seeks to replace the existing patio door with a vinyl clad door at 32 Foote Path Lane.

Applicant was not present. The view is very limited. The door is behind the garage.

APPLICATION NO. 4491-16. Adam Gove seeks to 1) demolish the rear porch; 2) construct a 12'x24' addition which shall include a mudroom section on the rear of the home; 3) install two (2) new windows and kitchen venting on the south elevation; 4) construct a 10'x24' Capped Polymer Azek deck with Azek Premier railings on the rear of the home; 5) install a new Bilco hatchway on the rear of the home; 6) swap the locations of the front door and window from side facing to front facing for the door and from front facing to side facing for the window with new materials; 7) install a wood railing on the front porch with a wood column at 44 Old Pewter Lane.

Adam Gove, 44 Old Pewter Lane, appeared before the Commission. They would like to demolish the rear porch which is rectangular in shape and has a shed roof. The porch is 12'x18'. The proposed main addition is 12'x18'. There is a small deck connecting the porch to the garage. The footprint for the addition will stay the same. The mudroom connects the garage to the main part of the addition. Prints of the proposed changes were submitted. The addition will have a gable roof, two windows on the back, and a hinged patio door.

The kitchen is moving from one end of the house to the other. There will be a casement window designed to look like a double-hung window. The Bilco hatchway door will be on the corner. The Bilco will come primed and he will paint it. Off the back of the addition will be an Azek deck. The deck is as wide as the gable addition and will extend to where the shed addition extends out and it meets the corner of the garage. The venting for the range hood on the south elevation will be where an existing double-hung window is now. They are proposing two smaller double-hung 4/4 windows on either side of the vent.

The door will be swapped from side facing to front facing and it will be a new wood door. The window will be swapped from side facing to front facing and will be a Windsor Legend simulated divided light window. All windows will be the Windsor Legends. They have a 5/8" muntin to match the other

windows on the house. A sample of the window was provided. The porch under the front entry will have a wood railing with a square post. They will use cedar railings with 2x2 baluster and a hand rail with the bottom rail sandwiching the balusters. It will be all wood. The back double door on the addition is a clad door to match the windows. There will be eight lights on each door. There will be a synthetic lattice under the deck. The siding will be cedar clapboard. The roof and trim match the rest of the house. They will keep the same lighting, but will move it as necessary.

Commissioner Ovia 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. 4492-16. Jeffrey and Amy Majewski seek to replace the wood garage doors with steel garage doors at 110 Center Street.

Jeffrey and Amy Majewski, 110 Center Street, and Doug Lisella, DBL Contracting, 37 Belmont Street, appeared before the Commission. A tree fell and hit the garage. They fixed the building and they would like to replace the doors with steel insulated garage doors. They will have 12 panels and 4 windows on each. They will have raised panels. The glass will be in the second panel down. They are Acadia doors. They are pre-finished white steel doors. The windows will be undivided.

Commissioner Ovia 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. 4493-16. Matthew and Corey Hunton seek to construct a 9'x12' mudroom with a 22'x24' attached two (2) car garage at 14 Warner Place.

Matthew Hunton, 14 Warner Place, appeared before the Commission. New drawings were submitted. There will be an addition off the kitchen off the back annex, then the mudroom, then the garage deeper in the lot. They have approval from Zoning for a 9' set back. The connecting room will be 9'x12' and the garage will be 22'x24'. The garage is 21'3" high to the peak. The garage is a Kloter Farms custom design. The siding will be Eastern white pine vertical ship lap. The mudroom siding will match the cedar clapboard that is on the house. There will be Harvey Majesty windows on the garage which will match the rest of the house. There will be a wood aluminum clad window with a 12/12 light pattern to match the house. There will be five windows total on the garage – four on one side and one on the other. The overhead doors are 9x7 steel carriage doors with black hardware, hinges and pulls. The windows in the garage doors will be in the top panel. There will be 8 panes per door and they will be simulated divided light. There will be a wooden cupola with SDL grills applied to the exterior. The roof will have a copper finish. The doors will be Andersen Straightline wood doors with no sidelights. There will be aluminum K style gutters on the back of the garage and mudroom. They will be almond in color to match the house.

Commissioner Ovia 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. 4494-16. Donald and Daisy Weaver seek to replace the wood columns and wood front door with fiberglass materials at 36 Woodland Street.

Doug Lisella, DBL Contracting, 37 Belmont Street, appeared before the Commission. There are two wooden columns over the doghouse porch roof and they are rotting. They plan to replace them with two fiberglass reinforced polymer columns to match existing. They will be smooth tapered columns. They will be painted. They will also be replacing the side door on Center Street. It is now a wood 9/2

panel door. The top half is windows. They would like to replace it with a Jeld-Wen fiberglass door. They want to use a six panel door with no lights to match the front door. It will be painted black.

.Commissioner Ovian 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. 4495-16. Ashley and Jordan Price seek to install a line set for central air conditioning on the second floor on the driveway side of the home at 118 Broad Street.

Jordan Price, 118 Broad Street, appeared before the Commission. There will be one line set on the northern side of the driveway. It will be white and paintable. It will go up the right side of the double window and end 12" below the gutter line.

Commissioner Ovian 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 Lyons, seconded by Commissioner Aforismo, and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to close the public hearing on all applications and to open the public meeting.

Aye: Ovian, Lyons, Aforismo

APPLICATION NO. 4490-16. Renewal by Andersen seeks to replace the existing patio door with a vinyl clad door at 32 Foote Path Lane.

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

Discussion

Commissioner Ovian stated that the door has minimal impact on the District and is quite consistent with other doors in the District.

Aye: Ovian, Lyons, Aforismo

APPLICATION NO. 4491-16. Adam Gove seeks to 1) demolish the rear porch; 2) construct a 12'x24' addition which shall include a mudroom section on the rear of the home; 3) install two (2) new windows and kitchen venting on the south elevation; 4) construct a 10'x24' Capped Polymer Azek deck with Azek Premier railings on the rear of the home; 5) install a new Bilco hatchway on the rear of the home; 6) swap the locations of the front door and window from side facing to front facing for the door and from front facing to side facing for the window with new materials; 7) install a wood railing on the front porch with a wood column at 44 Old Pewter Lane.

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

Discussion

Commissioner Ovian stated that the documentation is very complete. The changes will make for a more attractive home.

Commissioner Lyons stated that the site plan is marked up well.

Aye: Ovian, Lyons, Aforismo

APPLICATION NO. 4492-16. Jeffrey and Amy Majewski seek to replace the wood garage doors with steel garage doors at 110 Center Street.

Upon motion by Commissioner Lyons seconded by Commissioner Aforismo and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulation:

1. The 3rd panel from the bottom of the doors shall be a window panel.

Discussion

Commissioner Ovian stated that the change from flat panel to raised panel is a change but it is kind of a generational thing. It is not a major impact on the District.

Aye: Ovian, Lyons, Aforismo

APPLICATION NO. 4493-16. Matthew and Corey Hunton seek to construct a 9'x12' mudroom with a 22'x24' attached two (2) car garage at 14 Warner Place.

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

Discussion

Commissioner Ovian stated that the work that's been done on the house thus far has been magnificent.

Aye: Ovian, Lyons, Aforismo

APPLICATION NO. 4494-16. Donald and Daisy Weaver seek to replace the wood columns and wood front door with fiberglass materials at 36 Woodland Street.

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

1. The synthetic column materials shall match the existing wood materials exactly and shall be painted.
2. The door shall be a fiberglass 6 panel door as presented and shall be painted.

Aye: Ovian, Lyons, Aforismo

APPLICATION NO. 4495-16. Ashley and Jordan Price seek to install a line set for central air conditioning on the second floor on the driveway side of the home at 118 Broad Street.

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

Discussion

Commissioner Ovian stated that this has a minimal impact on the District. It is on the same side as the utilities and it won't look out of place at all.

Aye: Ovian, Lyons, Aforismo

MINUTES OF APRIL 26, 2016

Upon motion by Commissioner Aforismo, seconded by Commissioner Lyons and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the minutes of the April 26, 2016 meeting as submitted.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Aforismo

OTHER BUSINESS

Public Comments on General Matters of the Historic District

None.

Report of the Historic District Coordinator

Kristen reiterated the importance of attendance at meetings especially as we start getting into the summer months. There are nine applications on the agenda for the next meeting.

Correspondence

A letter from Lawrence Buck was received regarding a modification to Application #4489-16. The applicant would just like a modification or clarification on the Certificate of Appropriateness. A letter or documentation stating that he has approval for the good side of the fence to face the homeowner would be sufficient.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Commissioner Lyons, seconded by Commissioner Aforismo and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to ADJOURN the meeting at 9:06 PM.

Aye: Ovian, Lyons, Aforismo

Respectfully Submitted

TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Chris Lyons
- Clerk Pro Tem-