

The Wethersfield Historic District Commission held a Public Hearing on June 8, 2010 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
Susan O'Brien
Michael Rell
Bette Botticello, Alternate
Lisa Wurzer, Alternate

Members Absent: Mark Raymond, Alternate

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

Commissioner Garrey called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM, and read the opening comments. Commissioner McLeod, Clerk, read the Legal Notice as it appeared in the *Hartford Courant* on May 28, 2010.

APPLICATION NO. 3828-10. Lee Hale seeking to construct a 12' x 18' shed at 21 Deerfield Road.

Lee Hale of 21 Deerfield Road appeared before the Commission. He would like to construct a new 12' x 18' shed in the right rear (northwest) corner of the property in approximately the same spot as the existing shed. The shed will face the road. It is a wood shed and he will mill the windows himself and they will match the drawing that has been submitted. The windows will be true divided light wood windows. He will also make the door. He would like to have a paneled door that will hinge out. The shed will have window boxes. The roofing material is a man-made Tamco slate product, charcoal in color. The siding will be in a board and batten pattern. He will use a fiber cement board product and apply battens to it. The shed will have a frost wall with a stone fascia, so it looks like it's built on stone.

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. 3829-10. Colleen Sheridan seeking to amend application number 3721-09 to remove the deck and replace it with a porch to allow for the installation of the fencing at 31 State Street.

Colleen Sheridan of 31 State Street appeared before the Commission. New fencing was approved in a previous meeting, but the deck has to be removed in order to install the fence as planned. The back deck will look exactly like the front porch, except there will be no pillars and no roof. There will be a railing to match the front of the house. The rail will have a wooden top, 1 ¼ x 1 ¼ square verticals and horizontal wooden top. The existing deck is 8' x 17' and the new deck will be 8' x 6', exactly the same size as the front porch. The deck will be made of wood and painted blue and white.

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

Lucinda Hughes spoke in favor of the application via written correspondence dated June 8, 2010.

Martha Koehler, 28 State Street, spoke in favor of the application via written correspondence dated June 8, 2010.

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. 3823-10. Frank Deluca seeking to install vinyl siding and replacement windows at 29 Northbrick Lane. (Tabled from the May 11, 2010 meeting. The last date to act is June 22, 2010.)

Frank Deluca of 29 Northbrick Lane appeared before the Commission. He would like to replace the wooden shingles with vinyl siding and replace the windows with vinyl windows. The front of the house will have the double straight edge Perfection to match the shaker look that it has now. He would like to use Mastic Cedar 7" in Rugged Canyon. There would be a mitered corner on the front with a white corner board in the other corners. If white isn't approved, he will use Rugged Canyon corner boards. 4" double lap vinyl in Rugged Canyon would be used on the sides and back of the house. The shutters would be same as existing. The trim will be wrapped in white aluminum. There will be white soffits. The gutters will be cleaned, but will remain the same. The windows will be energy efficient Harvey Slim Line. The windows will be solid vinyl with a 2 over 2 design with grids sealed between the glass. The picture window will look exactly the same as 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.

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, O'Brien

APPLICATION NO. 3828-10. Lee Hale seeking to construct a 12' x 18' shed at 21 Deerfield Road.

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

Discussion

Commissioner Garrey stated that it's really a beautiful shed. It's the ideal shed. It will be great to see the artificial slate product go up on a building like that since the Commission hasn't seen it on a structure yet.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, O'Brien

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

Discussion

Commissioner Maycock stated that this has minor impact and it will clean up the back.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, O'Brien

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Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to TABLE the application.

Discussion

Commissioner Maycock stated that he thinks that since there is a mixing of materials, he wants to re-visit the house.

Commissioner Garrey stated that this is a big change and the Commissioners will need to individually visit the property to visualize what is being proposed tonight.

Commissioner O'Brien stated that there is no mixed vinyl siding in the District.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, O'Brien

MINUTES OF MAY 25, 2010

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner McLeod and a poll of the Commission, the minutes of the May 25, 2010 meeting were approved as submitted.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, O'Brien

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 Maycock, seconded by Commissioner McLeod and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to ADJOURN the meeting at 8:03 PM.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, O'Brien

Respectfully Submitted

TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Gary McLeod
Clerk