

The Wethersfield Historic District Commission held a Public Hearing on November 11, 2014 at the Wethersfield Town Hall, Town Manager's Conference Room – First Floor, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, Connecticut.

Members Present: Robert Garrey, Chairperson
Douglas Ovian, Vice Chairperson (Arrived at 7:35PM)
John Maycock, Clerk
Chris Lyons
Mark Raymond
John Aforismo, Alternate

Members Absent: Damian Cregeau, Alternate
Lisa Wurzer, 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 Maycock, read the Legal Notice as it appeared in the *Rare Reminder* on October 30, 2014.

APPLICATION NO. 4327-14. Kim Consonni seeks to replace the existing garage door with a steel garage door at 25 Oldham Road.

Kim Consonni, 25 Oldham Road, appeared before the Commission. A photo of the proposed door was submitted. The garage door will have no windows and it will have raised panels. It will be an almond color to match the siding.

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. 4328-14. Ellen and Lewis Eastwood seek to 1) replace the existing siding with Certainteed Cedar Impressions vinyl siding in the color sterling grey with white trim on the front and sides of the house; 2) replace the existing siding on the rear of the house with Certainteed Monogram vinyl siding; 3) replace twelve (12) windows with Marvin Integrity Ultrex fiberglass windows; 4) replace two (2) garage doors with Clopay Classic Collection steel doors; and 5) replace the shutters with black shutters at 14 Garden Street.

Ellen Eastwood, 14 Garden Street, and James Zerio, 242 Village Hill Road, Lebanon, appeared before the Commission. Samples of the siding were provided. The siding will be Certainteed Cedar Impressions, 7" with a smooth finish in the color Sterling Grey. The corner posts will be white. They will be wrapped in white aluminum. The front of the garage will be squared off and they will use siding in the space between the doors. The bay window will stay as is. They will replace 12 windows on the second floor and the addition. They would like to use Marvin Integrity Ultrex fiberglass windows which are fiberglass clad. They will be 6/6 and white in color. They are using new construction windows. The windows are simulated divided light and they have muntins on the inside and outside. The back of the house will have Certainteed Monogram vinyl siding. The garage doors will be the Clopay Classic Collection. They are steel doors with raised panels. The specifications for the doors were submitted. They would also like to replace the existing shutters with standard louvered square black vinyl shutters. They will re-use existing light fixtures.

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

Vacek Miglus, 38 Main Street, spoke against 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. 4329-14. Allan Wong seeks to construct three (3) gothic style greenhouses on the rear of the cider room barn with dimensions of 30'x96' at 188 Broad Street.

Allan Wong, 188 Broad Street, appeared before the Commission. Photos and a plot plan were submitted. He would like to construct three greenhouses. They are 30'x96' and gothic style. He already has two greenhouses on the property. They would be free standing, 10' to 12' apart and located in back of the cider room. The hoops are galvanized and are 12' to 14' high.

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

Aye: Garrey, Ovia, Maycock, Raymond, Lyons

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

Discussion

Commissioner Ovian stated that he has a concern because it is hard to know if it will match. Synthetic doors have improved and he doesn't like the raised panels. He would like to table and give the owner an opportunity to come back with another proposal.

Commissioner Garrey stated that they have used the door in the District before and he has no issue with it in that location.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, Raymond, Lyons

Nay: Ovian

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Upon motion by Commissioner Garrey seconded by Commissioner Ovian and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to TABLE the application.

Discussion

Commissioner Garrey stated that he has less concern about the siding and windows than with the garage. There isn't a lot of detail and he wouldn't change the garage. He would like to see a different garage door. The addition made the house long and narrow. A longer exposure might be better.

Commissioner Ovian stated that the siding helps it fit in where it is. He would like the owner to come back with a good looking 4" product.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Maycock, Raymond, Lyons

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

Discussion

Commissioner Garrey stated that it's what you would expect to see. It will mask some of the equipment.

Commissioner Ovian stated that it's a farm and this is a farm element. They come and go.

Commissioner Lyons stated that this is not an area that has massing issues. It fills in the space.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Maycock, Raymond, Lyons

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 28, 2014

Upon motion by Commissioner Raymond, seconded by Commissioner Maycock and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the minutes of the October 28, 2014 meeting as submitted.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Maycock, Raymond, Lyons

OTHER BUSINESS

Public comments on general matters of the Historic District

None.

Report of the Historic District Coordinator

New roofing samples for the Atlas brand were presented. It was decided that the same standard pre-approved colors should also be pre-approved for this brand.

Correspondence

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner Raymond and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to ADJOURN the meeting at 8:25 PM.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Maycock, Raymond, Lyons

Respectfully Submitted

TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

John Maycock
-Clerk -