

HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE COMMISSION

January 8, 2013

PRESENT: Ann Parks, James Fassanella, Michael Montalto, Susan Angevine

OTHERS: Wendy Meagher, Meagher Engineering; Dave Cerrone, Fitch Construction; James Brasley, Perinton Planning Board; Tom & Marilyn Hamilton, 23 Ridgeview Drive; Christopher Lopez, Plan Studio

Chairman Ann Parks began the meeting at 7:30 PM.

FITCH CONSTRUCTION 7278 Pittsford Palmyra Road

Wendy Meagher came before the Commission to discuss the proposal for the above address. She said that they are asking for 12 additional parking spaces in the front, which cannot be behind the building, as there are wetlands there. James Brasley said that the Planning Board supported the changes and that it seemed like a good fit for the neighborhood, but that they would wait to hear from the Commission regarding certain details. They felt that it was a good concept and a good use for an unused building.

Christopher Lopez passed round existing photos of the warehouse and retail buildings, with elevations shown. They would propose a simpler roofline, making it more compatible with the hamlet. There would be 4 sunrooms set up on the front and sides of the main building to showcase how they would look. There will be asphalt shingles and a gable roof line with the mansard roof removed. He brought a sample of the roofing and the simulated divided light window, Anderson A series. There will be four different types of sunrooms, two on the south, one on the east and one on the west. There will be a canopy on the east entrance. There will be two sign locations. A colored rendering of the new appearance of the main building and the warehouse was shown. The exterior shown will be in a darker brown color, and not the “putty” color that was shown this evening.

Ann Parks felt that the proposed renovations represented an improvement over the current appearance. M. Montalto was in favor of the improvements, and said that he liked the single banked parking. He felt that the warehouse met the scale and the massing beautifully. The main building (showroom) looked great, but the scale and the massing there might be configured a bit differently, simpler in front. S. Angevine and J. Fassanella liked the concept of the proposal also.

W. Meagher showed samples of the proposed sign – one sign is currently located on the berm in front. There will be two gooseneck lights, one at each corner of the lot. A. Parks said that the Commission will need to review a sign application and catalog cuts of the proposed lights.

M. Montalto made a motion to approve a negative declaration for SEQR, as this proposal will not have any negative impacts on the cultural environment and is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Historic Architecture Commission. The motion was seconded by S. Angevine.

Ayes: Parks, Fassanella, Montalto, Angevine
Nays: None
Motion unanimously approved.

M. Montalto made a motion to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness for 7278 Pittsford Palmyra Road, received on 12/20/2012, with one caveat – the signage will not be approved tonight, but the building mounted sign is endorsed as indicated in the drawings. The board is in favor of area variances, the scale and massing are all within the goals and objectives of the Egypt Subarea Plan; all of the aforementioned are subject to other board approvals. The details on signage and lighting are still to be submitted. J. Fassanella seconded the motion.

Ayes: Parks, Fassanella, Montalto, Angevine
Nays: None
Motion unanimously approved.

James Brasley asked that the Commission write a letter to the Planning Board indicating that the Board would be in favor of the parking variances.

TOM HAMILTON

123 Ridgeview Drive

Tom Hamilton came before the Commission to discuss his plans for the removal of the home next door and his plans to build an addition onto his current home. He read the letter that he had sent to the Forest Hills Neighborhood Association on December 19, 2012. His idea is basically to be able to “age in place” and remain in his house. His project plans include the removal of the adjacent home at 25 Ridgeview Drive and add a one-story addition to his existing home that would include a first floor master suite and bath and a functional garage on the first floor. The home next door to Mr. Hamilton has not been designated as an historic landmark. The Commission said that they were comfortable with his plans, but would need to see elevations of the existing house and the proposed new addition as they will appear from the road.

OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Ann Parks formally welcomed Bill Poray as our new Town of Perinton Historian. Bill recently resigned from the Fairport Historic Committee, where he helped to designate over twenty properties. He has been very involved in the Historical Society, and he edits their

publication. He drives a school bus for the Fairport Central Schools in the morning and the afternoon. He is very excited to be a part of this Commission.

NEW BUSINESS

Barb Clay is in the process of scheduling a farewell party for Jean Keplinger. She will be e-mailing the HAC members to try and come up with a date that works for everyone.

Michael Montalto has a new job at Costich Engineering, with a new e-mail: mmontalto@costich.com and a home e-mail of mmontalto@frontiernet.net. His new telephone number at work is 458-3020 X108.

MINUTES

J. Fasanella made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 11, 2012 meeting as submitted. Motion was seconded by S. Angevine.

Ayes: Parks, Fasanella, Montalto, Angevine

Nays: None

Motion unanimously approved.

There being no further business, Chairman Ann Parks adjourned the meeting at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Clay