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BIRMINGHAM TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD MINUTES

January 19, 2021

Chairman Scott Garrison called the meeting of the Historical Architectural Review Board to order at 7:08 PM. A quorum was declared.

The following were in attendance via Zoom:

Scott Garrison	Chairman, HARB
Christopher Nash	Vice-Chairman, HARB
Richard Jensen	Member, HARB
Mary Pat McCarthy	Member, HARB
Daniel Campbell	Member, HARB
J. Daniel Hill	Supervisor, HARB Liaison
Christy Mobile	Secretary, HARB

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the October 20, 2019 HARB meeting were approved, as written, all in favor.

REORGANIZATION OF HARB COMMITTEE FOR 2021

Mr. Jensen nominated Mr. Garrison to continue in his role as Chairman. Ms. McCarthy seconded the motion; all in favor.

Mr. Garrison nominated Mr. Nash to continue in his role as Vice-Chairman. Ms. McCarthy seconded the motion; all in favor.

Ms. McCarthy nominated Mr. Garrison to serve as PC member Liaison. Mr. Nash seconded the motion; all in favor.

1245 BIRMINGHAM ROAD:

Although Chris Lang did not attend tonight's HARB meeting, HARB reviewed the application to replace the existing deteriorating ID sign with a new sign. The applicant submitted several drawings depicting both a metal post as well as a stone pillar. All drawings show a white sign with black type. The sign measures 4 ½' wide x 3' high. Both the metal post and stone pillar would be 6' high. Mr. Jensen indicated the proposed signage met all zoning, setback and size guidelines. HARB members preferred the stone pillar to the metal post, but want samples of the stone prior to rendering their approval. Also, Mr. Campbell questioned if the sign will be illuminated.

REVIEW OF GUIDELINES:

The following materials list to be added to the HARB guidelines were approved during tonight's meeting:

TRIM:

Cellular PVC trim, Boral, Spanish Cedar

ROOFING:

Asphalt architectural shingles (GAF Timberline or equal), cedar shakes, slates or imitation slates, metal standing seam.

SHUTTERS:

Should be louvered for 2nd floor and paneled for 1st floor and be appropriately sized for the window (each shutter should be roughly ½ the width of the window).

SIDING:

Horizontal wood, fiber cement preferably smooth, vertical board and batten (wood or mineral board), brick, stone, stucco.

DECKING:

Wood, Trex or equivalent.

WINDOWS:

True or simulated divided lights, wood, aluminum clad, cellular PVC.

OUTBUILDINGS:

Should follow HARB building guidelines, but may deviate slightly with approved screening.

CHIMNEYS:

Should be stucco, full stone or brick, or stone or brick veneer.

FINISHES:

Exterior cladding: It is preferable to have main buildings painted; outbuildings may be stained.

FENCING:

Existing HARB guidelines mention BOCA under fencing which should be replaced with "2015 International Residential Code."

With no further business, Mr. Garrison motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Christy L. Mobile
HARB Secretary