

**Village of Pittsford
Architectural and Preservation Review Board
Monday February 4, 2013 at 7:00 PM**

PRESENT:

Chairperson:	Paul Zachman (absent)
Members:	Cristina Lanahan William McBride Maria Huot Erin Daniele
Village Attorney:	Jeff Turner
Building Inspector:	John Limbeck
Recording Secretary:	Linda Habeeb

Chairperson Zachman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Clayton Forsyth, 28 Boughton Avenue ~ Fence

Present: Clayton Forsyth, contractor

Application: Submitted, date-stamped, and Building Inspector approved on 1/24/13.

Discussion: The applicant stated that he is proposing installing a picket fence in the front yard of the house located at 28 Boughton Avenue. He presented documentation indicating the dimensions, materials, and location for the proposed fence. Board members expressed concern with the lack of space between the pickets of the fence. Member Lanahan explained that the preferred style of fence in the Village has more space between the pickets, so that the fence appears more open.

The applicant stated that the proposed fence is a replica of another fence in Pittsford. Board members will visit the site to view the fence as installed, and the application will remain open.

Greg Dillingham, 18 South Main Street ~ Exterior renovations & sign

Present: Greg Dillingham; Laura Baranes, Premier Sign Systems, LLC

Application: Submitted, date-stamped, and Building Inspector approved on 1/22/13.

Discussion: The applicant stated that he is proposing installing a larger exhaust fan on the side of the building, because the existing louver is insufficient for ventilation. Board members stated that it would not be appropriate to create a larger opening on the side of this historic building. It was suggested that he consider installing the louver within an existing archway opening in the building, rather than enlarging the louver opening.

He is also proposing removing the sash of a transom window on the inside of the building and installing a wooden louver.

Findings of Fact:

- ◆ The proposal is to remove the sash of a transom window over the 45-degree angle wall and to replace it with a louver.
- ◆ Another transom window over the main door has been removed.
- ◆ There will be no change to the window opening.
- ◆ The wood louver will be the same width and height as the current window sash, painted the same color, and with the slats pointing upward.

Motion: Member Lanahan made a motion, seconded by Member McBride, to approve the application for removal of the window sash and installation of a wooden louver, with the condition that the louver be the same size as the sash being replaced. The proposal to increase the size of the ventilation grid on the side of the building will remain open.

Vote: McBride – yes; Lanahan – yes; Huot – yes; Daniele - yes. **Motion carried.** This decision was filed in the Office of the Village Clerk on February 4, 2013.

The applicant is also proposing installing signage on the front and side of the building. Ms. Baranes presented documentation and photographs indicating the location and materials for the proposed signs. The signs will be the same size as the existing signs on the building.

Findings of Fact:

- ❖ The proposal is for replacement of existing signs on the side and front of the building.
- ❖ The proposed signs will be wood, engraved signs, the same size as the existing signs on the building.

Motion: Member Lanahan made a motion, seconded by Member McBride, to approve the application for installation of two signs and one window decal, with the condition that the website not be a part of the sign, and with the option of either the black or yellow logo.

Vote: McBride – yes; Lanahan – yes; Huot – yes; Daniele - yes. **Motion carried.** This decision was filed in the Office of the Village Clerk on February 4, 2013.

Mike & Wendy Devine, 8 Rand Place, 8 Rand Place ~ Siding

Present: Mike Devine, homeowner

Application: Submitted, date-stamped, and Building Inspector reviewed on 1/22/13.

Discussion: The applicant stated that the proposal is to replace the deteriorated siding on his house with hardie board siding. He presented photographs of the existing damaged wood siding on the house. He said that the cornerboard and window surrounds will be replaced with hardie, and all existing details will be replicated.

Findings of Fact:

- ❖ The existing wood siding on the house has significant damage and will not hold paint.
- ❖ The proposal is to replace the existing siding with smooth, hardie board siding.
- ❖ The fascia and soffits will not be replaced, and all details of the existing house will be replicated.

Motion: Member Lanahan made a motion, seconded by Member McBride, to approve the application for replacement of the wood siding with smooth, hardie board siding, as submitted.

Vote: McBride – yes; Lanahan – yes; Huot – yes; Daniele - yes. **Motion carried.** This decision was filed in the Office of the Village Clerk on February 4, 2013.

Anthony Rebis, 23 Washington Avenue ~ Windows

Present: Anthony Rebis, homeowner

Application: Submitted, date-stamped, and Building Inspector reviewed on 1/21/13.

Discussion: The applicant stated that he is proposing removing eight windows in the rear of his house, located at 23 Washington Avenue. He stated that he would re-side the area of the house where the windows will be removed. Board members noted that two of the windows are not visible from the public way. Member Lanahan explained that removing windows and replacing the windows with siding creates a blank façade, and that it would enhance the façade to maintain some of the windows. The applicant proposed the alternative of maintaining four of the existing windows, and the Board stated that this would be an appropriate alternative proposal.

Findings of Fact:

- ❖ The applicant modified his proposal to remove only four of the eight windows that were originally proposed to be removed.

Motion: Member Lanahan made a motion, seconded by Member McBride, to approve the revised application for removal of four windows on the house, with the conditions that (1) the remaining windows will be framed out to match the existing windows, and (2) where the windows are being removed, they will be infilled with aluminum siding that matches the existing siding on the house.

Vote: McBride – yes; Lanahan – yes; Huot – yes; Daniele - yes. **Motion carried.** This decision was filed in the Office of the Village Clerk on February 4, 2013.

Linda Brisbane/Marty Martina, 30 Locust Street ~ Addition

Present: Linda Brisbane/Marty Martina, homeowners

Application: Submitted, date-stamped, and Building Inspector reviewed on 12/18/12.

Discussion: The applicants are proposing a two-story addition to the west/rear side of the house that would extend from the existing west-side extension (north) to the rear back corner of the west side. At the January APRB meeting, Board members expressed a concern that the lower pitch of the addition does not blend in with the era of the house. A suggestion was made to reduce the width of the addition, which would increase the pitch of the roof, bringing it into compatible form with the other architectural elements of the existing structure.

The applicants presented a drawing of their original proposal and a drawing with the suggested changes in roof pitch. They stated that their proposed addition is consistent with other houses

in the Village, and is minimally visible from the public way. They will return to another APRB meeting for a vote when there is a full board.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Member Lanahan adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm.

Linda Habeeb, Recording Secretary