# Village of Pittsford Architectural and Preservation Review Board Monday February 6, 2012 at 7:00 PM

#### PRESENT:

Chairperson: Paul Zachman (absent)

Members: Cristina Lanahan

William McBride Maria Huot

Erin Daniele (absent)

Building Inspector: Skip Bailey
Village Attorney: Jeff Turner
Recording Secretary: Linda Habeeb

Member Huot called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Susan Lhota, 9 South Main Street ~ Sign

**Present**: Susan Lhota

**Application: Submitted, date-stamped, and Building Inspector reviewed on 1/25/12. Discussion:** The applicant stated that she is proposing installing a sign on the building located at 9 South Main Street. She stated that the proposed sign will be individual flat letters applied to the building, which is similar to the previous sign that was installed on the building. She submitted documentation and photographs indicating the dimensions and location for the proposed sign.

# Findings of Fact:

- The proposed sign is similar to previous signs that were installed in this location.
- The material for the letters will be a composite material, which is less shiny than the previous plastic lettering.
- The sign will not cover or damage any significant architectural features of the building.

**Motion:** Member Huot made a motion, seconded by Member McBride, to approve the installation of the proposed sign, as submitted.

**Vote:** McBride – yes; Lanahan – yes; Huot –yes. *Motion carried*. This decision was filed in the Office of the Village Clerk on February 6, 2012.

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Charles Fitzsimmons, 5 State Street ~ Signs

**Present:** Charles Fitzsimmons

**Application: Submitted, date-stamped, and Building Inspector reviewed on 12/14/11. Discussion:** The applicant stated that he is proposing installing signage consisting of 21-inch cutout acrylic letters, stud mounted on the front façade of the building, and 22-inch circle logo signs on the doors as referenced and specified in the plans submitted by the applicant. The

Building Inspector explained that the Village Sign Code allows for installation of one door sign and one window sign on this building, but because of the unique architectural style (American Industrial Architecture) of the building, additional door signage is appropriate, in lieu of installation of two signs. The applicant submitted documentation and photographs indicating the dimensions, material, and location for the proposed sign.

### Front sign:

### Findings of Fact:

- ♦ The proposal is for installation of 3/8" thick, flat, acrylic letters on the front façade of the building.
- The letters will be antique bronze (black) in color.
- ◆ The material for the signs is appropriate for this style of building (Industrial Architecture).
- ♦ The signs will not cover or damage any significant architectural features of the building.

**Motion:** Member Huot made a motion, seconded by Member McBride, to approve the installation of the proposed signs, as submitted.

**Vote:** McBride – yes; Lanahan – yes; Huot –yes. *Motion carried*. This decision was filed in the Office of the Village Clerk on February 6, 2012.

### **Door signs:**

### Findings of Fact:

• The proposal is for installation of logo signs on the windows of the three doors, instead of the installation of a second sign on the east elevation.

**Motion:** Member Huot made a motion, seconded by Member McBride, to approve the installation of the proposed signs, as submitted, with the condition that a second sign will not be installed on the east façade of the building.

**Vote:** McBride – yes; Lanahan – yes; Huot –yes. *Motion carried*. This decision was filed in the Office of the Village Clerk on February 6, 2012.

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# John Caselli, 3 Elmbrook Road ~ Addition Present: Virginia Searl, Bero Architecture

**Discussion:** Ms. Searl presented proposed plans for a second floor rear addition for the property located at 3 Elmbrook Drive. She stated that the plans are preliminary, and the applicant is seeking conceptual approval for the proposal at this time. She stated that the proposal does not expand the footprint of the house. Board members noted that the addition would be minimally visible from the public way.

Board members stated that the proposed addition maintains the integrity of the original house, and is compatible with the architectural style of the house. They recommended that the siding and other details on the addition match the existing details of the house.

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## Michael Herzbruin, 9 Courtenay Circle ~ Addition Present: Michael & Pnina Herzbruin, owners

**Discussion:** Mr. Herzbruin presented proposed plans for an addition on the front of the house located at 9 Courtenay Circle. The proposal is for removal of the existing exterior front wall of the house and relocating it forward approximately four feet. The configuration of the windows and doors will remain as they currently exist. The applicant stated that the existing doors and windows will be re-used in the new addition. Board members discussed whether or not altering the depth of the front of the house alters the perceived balance of the house.

#### Findings of Fact:

- The proposal is to move the board-and-batten section of the front façade forward four feet to approximately 6 inches from the existing garage façade.
- The existing beam and post that suggest a porch will be removed.
- ♦ The configuration of the windows and doors will remain as existing.
- The existing windows and doors will be re-used.
- The proposal is appropriate for this style of house.

**Motion:** Member Lanahan made a motion, seconded by Member McBride, to approve the application for the proposed addition, as submitted, contingent on the applicant's submittal of detailed plans to the Village Office.

**Vote:** McBride – yes; Lanahan – yes; Huot –yes. *Motion carried*. This decision was filed in the Office of the Village Clerk on February 6, 2012.

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### Paul Zachman, 28 South Street ~ Stoop roof

**Discussion:** This is a proposal for installation of a gable roof that will be constructed over the existing concrete stoop on the rear of the house. The gable roof will match the existing roof on the house.

### Findings of Fact:

- The proposed gable roof is minimally visible from the public way.
- The gable roof will match the existing roof on the house.
- All exterior trim will be painted to match the trim on the house.
- The material for the columns will be either wood or fiberglass.

**Motion:** Member Huot made a motion, seconded by Member McBride, to approve the application for installation of the proposed gable roof, as submitted.

**Vote:** McBride – yes; Lanahan – yes; Huot –yes. *Motion carried*. This decision was filed in the Office of the Village Clerk on February 6, 2012.

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**Open application**: Sam Pilato, 21 South Street ~ Garage Doors

**Discussion:** This is an open application from the December APRB meeting, at which the proposed style of garage doors was determined to be inappropriate, and the selection of the style of garage door was left open for the applicant to submit other door options. Mr. Pilato stated that he had investigated other door options, and found the cost of these options to be prohibitive.

Board members stated that the structure is a small shed that is attached to the house. The installation of an overhead garage door would be inappropriate on this structure. The application will remain open while the applicant continues to investigate other options.

### **Liaison Update:**

Trustee Boehlert reported that:

- ♦ The Board of Trustees is seeking a representative from the APRB for the SEQR review process for 75 Monroe Avenue.
- May is Preservation Month, and the Village will be presenting the Irving Gaskin Preservation Award to residents who have restored and improved their homes. She stated that she is nominating the Village Bakery for the award.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Member Huot adjourned the meeting at 9:30 pm.

Linda Habeeb, Recording Secretary

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