

HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE COMMISSION

April 12, 2011

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

OTHERS: James Brasley, Perinton Planning Board Chair; Rob Knebel, T.R. Noonan's; Ken Malcho, 690 Pittsford Victor Road

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

MALCHO'S CANOPY 690 Pittsford Victor Road

Ken Malcho told the Commission that the vinyl blue panels over the white canopy were installed before he purchased the business. The work was done without permits. Mr. Malcho did not know that this was an historic area. A. Parks commented that the blue color was quite a vibrant shade of blue. Mr. Malcho said that the previous panels were rusted out, and that all Mobil stations have the familiar blue stripe. M. Montalto said that the blue color didn't jump out at him. Jim Brasley said that the other two Mobil stations in town have this color combination and they are also illuminated. Mr. Malcho said that he was sorry that the work was done and that he had spent a lot of money upgrading it. P. Wise wondered if the Commission would have approved this project if they had come in first seeking permission to proceed. A. Parks commented that she would have liked to have seen a lesser width on the blue color, possibly 12 inches and not 24 inches.

M. Montalto made a motion to issue a Certificate of Appropriateness for the Exxon-Mobil blue band canopy modification at 690 Pittsford Victor Road, application dated March 18, 2011, and materials submitted on April 12, 2011. Please also note that the work **had been completed** before this application was made and the C of A granted, which is contrary to the correct order of this Commission's application process.

Ayes: Wise, Montalto, Angevine

Nays: Parks, Fassanella

Motion approved.

T. R. NOONAN'S SIGNAGE AND ROOF 7408 Pittsford Palmyra Road

ROOF

Mr. Knebel told the Commission that he had purchased the former McGregor's restaurant on Pittsford Palmyra Road. The current roof has old shingles which need to be replaced, as there has been lots of ice damming. There is also a need for work on the gutters and the trim. He would like to install a metal roof, and showed color samples of the materials in

black and charcoal. Metal roofs were actually very common years ago, so this would fit in with the historic Egypt plan. A. Parks wondered if the dormers were going to be taken out. Mr. Knebel said that they would like to do that to clean up the look of the building and also to help with the wasp problem. M. Montalto was of the opinion that the building would look stark without the dormers, so he was not in support of that. He thought that the metal roof was fine. P. Wise felt that the dormers, whether on the building or off did not make any significant difference. S. Angevine and A. Parks were in favor of the gray roof instead of the black, as it would get too hot. P. Wise asked a question about the gutters. Mr. Knebel told the Commission that they will be replaced, along with the trim and the siding. (All will be replaced will similar materials as on the existing building – “like with like.”)

A. Parks made a motion to approve a negative declaration for SEQR for the roof installation and the removal of the dormers on the building, 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 J. Fassanella.

Ayes: Parks, Fassanella, Wise, Montalto, Angevine

Nays: None

Motion unanimously approved.

A. Parks made a motion to approve the application dated 3/29/2011 for metal roofing on the entire building, preferably in the charcoal gray color, and the removal of the two dormers on the east end of the south side of the building to be completed as per the materials submitted to the Commission on 4/12/2011.

Ayes: Parks, Fassanella, Wise, Montalto, Angevine

Nays: None

Motion unanimously approved.

SIGN

J. Brasley said that the Planning Board will have this application before them on Wednesday, May 4, 2011. The signs will be installed in the same locations as they are currently, and they do meet the Perinton Town Code. He also said that the boards will need to make sure that the signs will not be illuminated and the existing light fixtures will be used. There will be one sign on the front and one on each side of the building. Mr. Knebel said that he hopes the restaurant will open in the early part of May. They are waiting for the liquor license to come through. P. Wise and M. Montalto thought that the plans looked good.

J. Fassanella made a motion to approve the sign application dated 3/9/2011, received 3/30/2011, and presented to the Commission on 4/12/2011, for 7408 Pittsford Palmyra Road, with the provision that the signage go before the Planning Board for their approval. Dimensions of the letters will need to be submitted before the approval can take place.

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

OLD BUSINESS

S. Angevine will call the Lincoln Mills Road resident to discuss the possibility of historic designation for their home.

The House Tour will take place on Sunday, May 15, 2011 in the Forest Hills neighborhood.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Parks told the Commission about the Landmark Society's 25th Annual Preservation Conference in Dansville, New York, on Saturday, April 30, 2011. The topic is "Repair, Rehabilitate, Reuse," and will discuss strategies for sustaining buildings and communities. A. Parks suggested that the HAC invite Bob Place, Perinton Town Attorney, to the next meeting to discuss buildings in disrepair and ordinances. Ann also suggested that the Commission may want to send a postcard to each owner of a landmark property to remind them that they are always welcome to discuss issues with the Board.

M. Montalto said that the Bushnell's Basin project is coming along nicely, and that it should be almost complete by Memorial Day.

MINUTES

The minutes from the March 8, 2011 meeting were approved as submitted with a motion by J. Fassanella and seconded by S. Angevine.

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

There being no further business, Chairman Ann Parks adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Clay

