

HISTORIC ARCHITECTURE COMMISSION

April 13, 2010

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

OTHERS: Adrienne Johnson, 19 Fair Oaks Drive; Joanne and Edward Zelazny, 19 Ridgeview Drive; Thomas and Marilyn Hamilton, 23 Ridgeview Drive
Ralph Baranes, Premier Signs; Mark Donahoe, Dunkin Donuts Corporate

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

PUBLIC HEARING

Ann Parks told the attendees that the homes that were to be designated would be done one at a time, with time for public comment after each statement of designation.

The first house to be designated was 19 Fair Oaks Drive, owned by Adrienne Johnson. A. Parks noted that this address met four out of five of the criteria for designation as a Perinton landmark.

- 1.) It possesses a special character, historic and aesthetic interest and value as part of the cultural and social history of the region.
- 2.) Having been designed by Harold Dygert, it can be identified with an historic personage.
- 3.) It is characteristic of the Colonial Revival architectural style and was built around 1940.
- 4.) It is part of a unique and established neighborhood.

A. Parks asked if there were any comments regarding the designation of this house. Adrienne Johnson (homeowner) said that she loved having her home designated and that she wished everyone in Forest Hills would have their home designated!

M. Montalto made a motion to designate 19 Fair Oaks Drive as an historic Perinton landmark, as per the criteria aforementioned. S. Angevine seconded the motion.

Ayes: Parks, Fassanella, Wise, Montalto, Angevine

Nays: None

Unanimously approved.

The second house to be designated was 19 Ridgeview Drive, owned by Edward and Joanne Zelazny. This house meets four out of the five criteria for designation as a Perinton landmark.

- 1.) It possesses a special character, historic and aesthetic interest and value as part of the cultural and social history of the region.
- 2.) Having been designed by Harold Dygert, it can be identified with an historic personage.
- 3.) It is characteristic of the French Eclectic architectural style and was built around 1938.
- 4.) It is part of a unique and established neighborhood.

A. Parks asked if there were any comments regarding the designation of this house. The Zelazny's commented that they were happy to live there and that they wish this designation had been done fifteen years ago.

J. Fassanella made a motion to designate 19 Ridgeview Drive as an historic Perinton landmark, as per the criteria aforementioned. The motion was seconded by M. Montalto.

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

The third house to be designated was 23 Ridgeview Drive, owned by Tom and Marilyn Hamilton. This house meets four out of the five criteria for designation as a Perinton landmark.

- 1.) It possesses a special character, historic and aesthetic interest and value as part of the cultural and social history of the region.
- 2.) Having been designed by Harold Dygert, it can be identified with an historic personage.
- 3.) It is characteristic of the Tudor Revival architectural style and was built around 1937.
- 4.) It is part of a unique and established neighborhood.

A. Parks asked if there were any comments regarding the designation of this house. Marilyn Hamilton told the Commission that she and Ken had worked together for so many years (they have been there 39 years) and were pleased to be at the meeting and hoped that it would start a flood of acceptance for these designations. They have formed a

neighborhood group which includes a library of materials showing options for homeowners that want to replace or restore parts of their homes.

P. Wise made a motion to designate 23 Ridgeview Drive as an historic Perinton landmark, as per the criteria aforementioned. The motion was seconded by J. Fassanella.

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

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PREMIER SIGNS

690 Pittsford-Victor Road

Mr. Baranes spoke first, and told the Commission that he would like to replace the illuminated Mobil sign in Bushnell's Basin with an illuminated sign that has Mobil on one side and Dunkin Donuts on the other as well as the building mounted sign. (There is a sign similar to the proposed illuminated sign at the corner of Jefferson Avenue and Fairport Road in Perinton.) A. Parks mentioned that there are mostly monument signs in the historic hamlet of Bushnell's Basin, and that the Perinton Planning Board had denied this proposal because they would prefer a monument sign. If the existing Mobil sign was changed at all, it would have to comply with new regulations. The existing sign has been grandfathered in, but anything new would have to meet the current Historic Architecture Commission requirements.

Mr. Baranes was not sure if the owners wanted to spend the money on a new monument sign. He will take the Commission's comments back, and see what they would like to do. A. Parks suggested that the applicant look around the hamlet and see the types of signs that have been approved. M. Montalto said that a new sign should not be the type that would require variances for approval and should be consistent with the sign material in the Basin. Also, an illuminated sign was not looked upon favorably by the Commission. He said that a monument sign needed to comply with the number of frontage feet on the lot.

M. Montalto made a motion to grant the application for the building mounted sign, as per the drawings dated 10/26/09. The sign is to comply with the drawings received and to utilize the existing lighting. The motion was seconded by J. Fassanella.

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

M. Montalto made a motion to defer the decision for the illuminated sign until such time as the applicant comes back with a design significantly different and improved. The motion was seconded by J. Fassanella.

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

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OLD BUSINESS

Bushnell's Basin Dock Project - M. Montalto said that the latest word on the Bushnell's Basin Dock Project was that it should be finished by next spring. The construction is slated to begin in the fall of 2011, with the bids coming in late spring or early summer of 2010.

Forest Hills - A. Parks said that the Viennes and the Dowdens, both of Forest Hills, were away during the public hearings for historic home designation. Pam Rey and Bill Holiday wanted to consider designation in the future. A. Parks said she will contact all of them in September to see if they are still interested in having their homes designated.

MINUTES

The minutes from the March 9, 2010 meeting were approved as submitted. J. Fassanella made a motion to approve the minutes, and the motion was seconded by M. Montalto.

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

There being no further business, Chairman Ann Parks adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Clay