

# ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD OF THE TOWN OF WARRENTON TOWN HALL 21 MAIN STREET WARRENTON, VIRGINIA 20186

#### **MINUTES**

# A REGULAR MEETING OFTHE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD WAS HELD ON AUGUST 24, 2023, AT 7:00 PM IN WARRENTON, VIRGINIA

PRESENT Ms. Laura Bartee, Chair; Ms. Virginia Gerrish, Vice-Chair; Mr. Steve

Wojcik; Ms. Karen Lavarnway; Mr. John Thorsen; Ms. Denise Harris, Planning Manager; Ms. Casey Squyres, Historic Preservation

Planner

**ABSENT** 

#### CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., and a quorum was established. Ms. Bartee read the purpose statement.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Draft Minutes- July 27, 2023

Mr. Wojcik outlines a minor correction to the draft minutes.

Ms. Gerrish motions to approve the minutes for October 27, 2022, as amended. Mr. Wojcik Seconded. All in favor.

Voting Yea: Ms. Bartee, Chair; Ms. Gerrish, Vice-Chair; Mr. Wojcik; Ms. Lavarnway; Mr. Thorsen

Absent:

## **NEW BUSINESS**

#### COA 23-56 9 SOUTH FIFTH STREET

- Ms. Squyres provides a brief introduction of the application.
- Ms. Ednida Minor, applicant, comes forward to speak.
- Mr. Wojcik expresses his appreciation of both the sign and bracket design.
- Ms. Gerrish requests clarification on the proposed sign location and method of attachment.
- Ms. Squyres responds providing the requested information.
- Ms. Bartee suggests a potential mounting method.
- Ms. Bartee asks about other signage on the building.
- Ms. Squyres responds.
- MS. Gerrish asks about the existence of a previous hanging sign.
- Ms. Squyres responds.
- Ms. Bartee asks the Board for a motion.
- Mr. Wojcik moves to approve COA 23-56 with presented approval conditions, Seconded by Ms. Lavarnway.

Voting Yea: Ms. Bartee, Chair; Ms. Gerrish, Vice-Chair; Mr. Wojcik; Ms. Lavarnway; Mr. Thorsen

Nea:

# **COA 23-58 98 MAIN STREET, UNIT 104**

- Ms. Squyres provides a brief overview of the application.
- Ms. Vanessa Murphy, business owner, comes forward to speak.
- Ms. Gerrish moves the discussion to the solid background in the design of the proposed sign.
- Ms. Squyres briefly discusses the historic district guidelines for window signs.
- Ms. Murphy responds providing her thoughts on the matter.
- Ms. Gerrish suggests a potential design change.
- Ms. Murphy responds, outlining difficulties with design.
- Ms. Lavarnway asks for clarification on the requirements of the guidelines.

- Ms. Squyres responds.
- Ms. Murphy asks about the availability of the historic district guidelines and asks if they can be shown.
- Ms. Gerrish responds providing where the guidelines can be found.
- Ms. Squyres briefly explains the signage guidelines for the historic district.
- Ms. Bartee asks for clarification on the location of the sign.
- Ms. Murphy responds, providing the requested information.
- Ms. Bartee expresses her appreciation of the proposed sign design.
- Ms. Murphy briefly discusses the design choices for the proposed sign.
- Ms. Bartee asks for any further questions.
- Ms. Bartee asks to see the proposed motion.
- The Board briefly discusses the proposed motion.
- Ms. Bartee asks for a motion.
- Ms. Lavarnway moves to approve COA 23-58 with the presented approval conditions, Seconded by Mr. Thorsen.
- Voting Yea: Ms. Bartee, Chair; Mr. Wojcik; Ms. Lavarnway; Mr. Thorsen

Nea: Ms. Gerrish, Vice-Chair

## **COA 23-61 20 MAIN STREET**

- Ms. Squyres provides a brief overview of the application.
- Mr. Casey Ward, applicant, comes forward to speak.
- Mr. Wojcik asks about the attachment method of the plaque with the existing condition of the site.
- Mr. Ward responds, providing the requested information.
- Mr. Wojcik recommends repairs to the brick at the plaque site.
- Ms. Bartee asks for clarification on the placement of the plaque.
- Mr. Ward responds, showing location on site rendering.
- Ms. Gerrish asks about the scope of repairs being done.

- Mr. Ward responds outlining discussion with the masonry company.
- Ms. Gerrish asks for further clarifications.
- Mr. Ward detailing repaired areas.
- The Board and applicant briefly discuss sealing holes in existing bricks.
- Ms. Gerrish asks for clarification on the proposed fox sculpture.
- Mr. Ward responds, providing the requested information.
- Ms. Bartee asks about the dimensions of the proposed plaque.
- Mr. Ward responds, outlining plaque dimensions.
- The Board briefly discusses the proposed motion.
- Ms. Gerrish moves to approve COA 23-61 with the presented approval conditions, Seconded by Ms. Lavarnway.
- Voting Yea: Ms. Bartee, Chair; Ms. Gerrish, Vice-Chair; Mr. Wojcik; Ms. Lavarnway; Mr. Thorsen

Nea:

# COA 23-62 30 JOHN MARSHALL STREET

- Ms. Squyres provides a brief overview of the proposed work.
- Mr. John Swain, applicant, is not present to speak to speak.
- Ms. Bartee asks about the scope of the previous application.
- Ms. Squyres responds, providing further details.
- Ms. Gerrish asks about the previously approved application.
- Ms. Squyres responds.
- Mr. Wojcik asks for the reason the proposed work has been submitted again.
- Ms. Squyres responds providing expiration dates for approved COA applications.
- Ms. Gerrish asks for clarification on the style of the proposed retaining wall.
- Ms. Squyres responds.
- Ms. Bartee asks to see the proposed plan set showing landscaping.
- Ms. Gerrish asks for clarification on the proposed planting species.
- The Board briefly discusses potential landscaping requirements in the proposed motion.
- Ms. Bartee asks for a motion.

Ms. Lavarnway moves to approve COA 23-62 with the presented approval conditions, Seconded by Mr. Wojcik.

Voting Yea: Ms. Bartee, Chair; Ms. Gerrish, Vice-Chair; Mr. Wojcik; Ms. Lavarnway; Mr. Thorsen

Nea:

#### **UPDATES**

Staff has no updates.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS TIME**

Mr. Wojcik provides updates on the purchase of Alwington Manor.

Ms. Gerrish provides further details on her reasoning for her vote on COA 23-58.

# **ADJOURN**

Mr. Wojcik moves to adjourn. Ms. Lavarnway seconded. All in favor, no discussion.

Voting Yea: Ms. Laura Bartee, Chair; Ms. Virginia Gerrish, Vice-Chair; Mr. Steve

Wojcik; Ms. Karen Lavarnway; Mr. John Thorsen

Absent:

With no further business, this meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.