April 8th, 2015

MEMO MINUTES of THE ARB MEETING

By: John Milnes Baker, Acting Secretary

Re: ARB Meeting, April 8, 2015 Town Hall, 41 Kent Green Blvd., Kent

Present: Ellen Corsell, Chair, Greg St. John, Jim Mauri, Scot Samuelson and JMB

The meeting was called to order at 5:30. All members were present.

Subject Applications:

1) Application # 002-15 ARB

Property Owner: John E. Casey Trust, Housatonic Enterprises, PO Box 218, Kent CT

Applicant: Stacey Grimsley, 80 North Main Street, Kent

Subject Property: 1 Kent Green Blvd.

Project: Installation of 2 signs – one 2'x 3' wall sign and one 3'x 4' freestanding

and one marquee 1'x 3 1/2' above front window.

John Casey presented the application. The signs all meet the code requirements and was consistent with a 2006 agreement with the Zoning Board. Ellen Corsell proposed that the application be approved. Greg St.John seconded her proposal and the application was approved unanimously by the Board.

2) Application # 003-15 ARB

Property owner: SISG, LLC, 39 North Main Street

Applicant: Chris Garrity for SISG, LLC, 56 Elizabeth Street, Kent CT

Subject Property: 39 North Main Street, Kent CT

Project: Addition of Front portico/porch 6'x 6' to match existing porch on south

side of the house.

Chris Garrity presented a very rough sketch of the front (east elevation) that was not drawn to scale. He also indicated that the existing vinyl siding would be removed exposing the original clapboard siding. The Board unanimously agreed that the owner could proceed with the removal of the vinyl but under no circumstances can the porch be constructed until a proper detailed construction drawing is submitted and approved by the Board.

JMB indicated that there was precedent for the architect(s) on the Board to assist an owner in designing relatively simple but important proposed details for a project. The Board agreed that the applicant may call John Baker and Scott Samuelson when he has removed the vinyl siding and exposed the original clapboarding and they will meet Chris Garrity at the site, listen to what he wants to do, and if there is a meeting of the minds, Baker/Samuelson will prepare a drawing of the porch for his approval. That drawing should then be submitted to the ARB for its approval.

The other aspects of the application all sounded well worth doing – cutting back the paved area in front of the house leaving room for two cars closer to the road. Everyone on the Board agreed that the idea of a garden between the parking and the house was a good one.

So the next step is for Chris Garrity to remove the vinyl siding and then call JMB at (860) 927-4262 and Scot Samuelson at (860) 364-1116 or e-mail them at imbaker@bestweb.net and scotsamuelsonaia@comcast.net

Pending Project - Screening of Properties along Route 341

There was a brief discussion of the proposed fencing or screening of the properties between Crew Design and the beginning of Jack Nelson's property that is an eyesore visible from Route 341. JMB said that he would take new photographs showing the present views and would update the site plan showing the proposed location of the fencing 12" wide just outside of the Town's ROW for the town sewer line.

JMB also said that he would request proposals from a couple of fence companies to establish an estimated cost basis for eventual submission to Bruce Adams, the First Selectman, for an application to the State for funding.

The meeting ended at 6:30
Respectfully submitted,
John Milnes Baker AIA, Acting Secretary

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