

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
TOWN OF JAFFREY, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Meeting minutes September 1, 2022

Meeting called to order @ 6pm

In attendance: Kit, Rick, Frank, Ron, absent MaryJean, Rick Pedott, and Josh. (Please see lower note)

Due to the Covid 19 Pandemic this commission has not formally met for more than a year and a half. All business was done either by email, phone call or outdoor site visits. There is no need for the reading of our last minutes due to the fact that we have had no formal hearings that required votes.

Review of 2022 activity in the district. The Grosvenor's purchased Sam Green's property, 380 Main Street. Their first inquiry was for the district rules for installing indoor propane inserts in their fireplaces. Since this had little or no effect on the outdoor façade, we had no objection to this. Their second question was about the installation of a picket fence. Everyone weighed in with having no objection to a fence but there was strong reluctance to approve a vinyl fence feeling that it would go against our guidelines and introduce a visible building material that once allowed would then have approval throughout the district in the future. Mr. Grosvenor understood, and the compromise was that the fence to be approved must be wooden.

On May 3, the Grosvenor's, again 380 Main Street (Map 228, Lot 89) requested a variance to allow installation of a soak pool and deck within the wetlands conservation district. In addition, work on the back railing of the deck to meet code. We weighed in with both the Building Inspector, and the Board of Adjustment with no opposition.

As of May 30, the contractors stated that if that work is to be done it won't be until next Spring or later.

In August Joyce Petkovich, 20 Blackberry Lane, called to express that Vlad and she wished to have some work done on the back of their home. The plan was to install a deck over the existing patio space. Our building inspector informed them that before he could approve it would need to be brought before the Commission. Since it was in the rear of the house and would have no visual impact, I told Rob that if he felt it met his standards there is no objection.

A few weeks later the Petkovich's made inquiry as to what needs to be done permit wise to add a garage onto or behind their house.

Mrs. Petkovich attended our meeting and shared drawings and plans for a two-car attachment to be placed either on the right- or left-hand side of the house. The architectural styling is pleasing and either placement would work for this commission. The height would mimic the barn addition making for a somewhat symmetrical feel. She needs to make formal application to the town office requesting a hearing by us. Abutters need to be notified and a posting of this meeting needs to be made in the media. A period of 21 days needs to be had before the hearing and we will need a full quorum. Please make every effort to attend.

Lastly, a call from Bruce Hill last week asking what he needed to do to have work approved for fixing the old fire station's needs. The work revolves around the need for re-roofing (same color 3-Tab or architect shingle, substructure concerns including proper drip edge. Clap board and possible sill replacement, and appropriate grading to ameliorate drainage issues causing the problems. All of these are general maintenance for proper upkeep of an historic building and do not need approval from our Commission.

New business: Kit and Frank are working on digitizing our handbook so it will be online.

Meeting adjourned @ 6:41pm

Next meeting: October 6, 6pm

Respectfully submitted:

Kit