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**SHELBURNE HISTORIC PRESERVATION &
DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION**
September 10, 2020
Minutes

This meeting was conducted remotely using Zoom platform.

Members Attending:

Lauren Giannullo, Tom Koerner, Ann Milovsoroff, Marc Vincent, Eileen Warner, David Webster

Staff Attending:

Susan Cannizzaro, Dean Pierce

Others Attending:

Ian Deshmukh, William Posey

Call to order:

Tom Koerner called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. Attendance roll call was taken.

Approval of Minutes:

Marc Vincent moved to approve the minutes of August 27, 2020. David Webster seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Design Review Application DR20-17 – Ian Deshmukh and Nancy Carder, 26 Fisher Place:

Ian Deshmukh represented this application requesting approval to pave their existing gravel driveway in order to cut down on dust, tracking gravel into the house and easier clearing of snow and ice in the winter months. He stated that the driveway is approximately 700 square feet and they will be using a dark gray asphalt. Marc Vincent asked if this will be the only paved driveway in the development and Mr. Deshmukh responded that at this point it will. Tom Koerner questioned why the Commission is reviewing a paving request. Dean Pierce responded that there was a Bylaw amendment a few years ago resulting in a permit requirement for paved driveways. Since the project is subject to a permit and is in the Design Review Overlay District, it requires review by the Commission. Mr. Deshmukh added that the neighborhood association has approved the paving project.

David Webster moved to approve the application as submitted. Ann Milovsoroff seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Ian Deshmukh left the meeting.

Design Review Application DR20-18 – William Posey, 15 Fisher Place:

Bill Posey represented this application requesting approval for a 5' tall cedar fence at 15 Fisher Place. The proposed fence will have 2 gates and will be stained the same color as an existing fence at another location in the neighborhood. The fence will run along Falls Road, Fisher Place and Wes Road. Mr. Posey explained the reason for the fence is that the new owner has small children and dogs. He added that the new owner will plant vegetation along the fence on Falls Road to break it up.

Ann Milovsoroff called the proposed fence an “eye banger” and suggested that the fence be a softer gray tone. Mr. Posey explained that the proposed color matches other fencing already installed in the neighborhood as well as wood trim on the houses.

David Webster and others expressed concern about the fence, particularly along Falls Road. The plan does not indicate plantings and the members will want to review what is proposed. Ann Milovsoroff stated that she would be happy to make planting suggestions. Eileen Warner added that this is a large fence in a small, tight community and it will have an effect on all of the neighbors.

Following further discussion, Bill Posey suggested an amendment to the request, eliminating the fence running along Falls Road. Instead, the fence will enclose the rear yard and end at the southeast corner of the house. He added that the new owner may return with a request for a lower fence of a different style to run along Falls Road at a later date.

David Webster moved to approve the amended application, with the fence to enclose the rear yard and end at the southeast corner of the house; and, the fence shall be stained a soft gray color. Marc Vincent seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Examples of Application to Post on the Town’s Website:

There was no discussion on this agenda item.

Potential Grant Opportunities:

Dean Pierce stated he hoped Fritz Horton would be available to provide an update on the Town Hall clock repair. The agenda item was continued to the next meeting.

Upcoming Planning Commission Agenda Items:

The Planning Commission will be reviewing the revised telecommunication tower application. They will also continue to discuss possible zoning changes relating to modifications to buildings in the Rural District and the definition of setbacks so they are more accommodating for things such as front porches.

Other Business:

Dean Pierce reported that the Town's budget process will begin earlier this year; therefore, the Commission should start thinking about any budget requests they may wish to make.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, David Webster moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 a.m. Eileen Warner seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Cannizzaro