

# Historic & Architectural Review Board

Meeting October 23, 2018 4:30 P.M.

## I. Call to Order by Chairwoman Barbara Jones

# II. Roll Call by Miranda Crosby, Administrative Assistant

#### PRESENT:

BARBARA JONES, CHAIRWOMAN
LEE CALISTI, VICE-CHAIRMAN
MARC SCURCI, SECRETARY – Arrived at 4:40pm
AARON KULIK
ASHLEY KERTES
BARBARA CIAMPINI, DIRECTOR
LOU DEROSE, SOLICITOR

#### **ABSENT:**

LYNN ARMBRUST

## III. Approval of September 18, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Vice-chairman Lee Calisti **motioned to approve** the September 18, 2018 meeting minutes. Secretary Marc Scurci **seconded** the motion. No further discussion. **All voted unanimously to approve the minutes.** 

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### IV. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business to discuss.

## V. NEW BUSINESS:

106 North Main Street

**Property Owner: Westmoreland Cultural Trust** 

Applicant: Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Laurel Region

Project: Signage for "Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Laurel Region"

Bob Gonze of *Blue Sky Sign Company* presented on behalf of Kelly from *Big Brothers Big Sisters* of the Laurel Region a new logo and sign for the building at this location. The overall logo for the non-profit has changed thus leading this new signage. The proposed signage includes a 2.5 foot by 12 foot wide printed vinyl sign on three (3) millimeter Dibond that will be attached to the building above the entrance door and will be slightly dimensional off of the structure. The sign will have a black background with white letters and the green and white "B" logo. The letters on the entrance door will also change to match the overhead sign. These letters will be cut vinyl.

No further discussion or questions from board or audience members. Board member and Planning Director Barbara Ciampini **motioned** to recommend approval of the project as presented. Vice-chairman Lee Calisti **seconded** the motion. **All voted unanimously to recommend approval.** 

640 North Main Street

Property Owner: Barry DeBone

**Applicant: Taylor Kalasky** 

Project: Signage for "Yumzio Bistro"

Taylor Kalasky, owner of *Yumzio Bistro*, presented proposed signage for the new business at this location. The signage would consist of a black half-moon sign with white lettering on the front of the building above the entrance. Ms. Kalasky opened the business roughly two (2) weeks ago and has menus and business cards using a similar font as the one presented on the sign. The property owner suggested that Taylor place the phone number and address of the business on the bottom of the sign; however, board members felt that this might not be a good idea as it would make the business name smaller and it would diminish the effect of the business name. Currently, Ms. Kalasky has a banner in the window that says "Come Eat" with the business hours and stickers for the register machines, but the phone number is not listed. Taylor mentioned that she could place the phone number on the window above the front door if board members felt that that would be a better location using black decal signs. The business is hard to see going North on Main Street, so

Chairwoman Barbara Jones asked if Ms. Kalasky was planning on adding any further signage in the grass area in the front of the property. No further signage is planned at this time. Planning Director Barbara Ciampini mentioned that in the future a free standing sign or a projecting sign would most likely help allow more potential customers to see the business.

Vice-chairman Lee Calisti commented board members need to see all potential signage and the banner that exists currently to make sure that everything conforms to the design guidelines. Ms. Ciampini stated that items could be turned into her by October 31, 2018 to be distributed to the board members for further approval and to keep Taylor on the City Council meeting agenda for November 13, 2018.

No further discussion or questions from board or audience members. Vice-chairman Lee Calisti **motioned** to recommend approval for the signage as presented contingent upon Taylor Kalasky turning in additional photographs of the current banner and the phone number above the door on or before October 31, 2018 for further approval. Board member Ashley Kertes **seconded** the motion. All **voted unanimously to recommend approval contingent upon Taylor Kalasky turning in additional photographs of the current banner and the phone number above the door on or before October 31, 2018 for further approval.** 

139 North Main Street

Property Owner: Trinity U.C.C. Applicant: Edward Wagner II

Project: Façade - Add ramp to front to structure

Ed Wagner attended the meeting as a representative of Trinity Church to present a proposed A.D.A. ramp to replace the northern exterior stairs of the church. Mr. Wagner stated that with the population of the church growing older a ramp is needed to get parishioners inside for mass and other functions. The four (4) foot wide ramp would be made of concrete block, brick, and would have iron railings similar to those of the other two entrances to the church along Main Street. A five and a half (5.5) foot by five and a half (5.5) foot by five (5) foot landing will allow visitors to progress into the sanctuary easily.

Secretary Marc Scurci questioned how much of the ramp is allowed to have on the City's Right of Way. Planning Director and board member Barbara Ciampini asked Mr. Wagner to explain a survey that was turned in showing where the ramp will sit on the property. Ed stated that the ramp would be entirely on the church's property due to the fact the church owns an extra wide section of the sidewalk area and would not encroach on the City's Right of Way.

Vice-chairman Lee Calisti asked Mr. Wagner how high off the ground the ramp will be, to which Ed was unable to give a definite answer. Lee commented that the design fell within the guidelines of the HARB, but there are several items that will be flagged by Code.sys, the City of Greensburg's

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third party Building Code Official, when submitted for review from the church's design professional. Those red flagged items have nothing to do with the HARB, but instead regarding projects associated with the American with Disabilities Act. Mr. Calisti wanted to inform Mr. Wagner that the design professional should be aware of the changes that will need to be made and to review the project prior to submittal to Code.sys. Mr. Wagner is aware of the process of project reviews and obtaining a building permit. Should there be any major changes regarding the design of the ramp that Ms. Ciampini would send the updates to the HARB members for review.

No further discussion or questions from board or audience members. Secretary Marc Scurci **motioned** to recommend approval of the project as presented. Vice-chairman Lee Calisti **seconded** the motion. **All voted unanimously to recommend approval.** 

104 East Pittsburgh Street Property Owner: Tim Fox Applicant: Tim Fox Project: Façade

Tim and Jocelyn Fox were at the meeting presenting proposed façade changes to the structure at this location. The back of the building is being resided and worked on at the present moment. Mr. and Mrs. Fox would eventually like to live in the upper two (2) floors of the structure and have their homemade soap and body products business in the commercial first floor area. Mr. Fox had a front elevation drawing and color swatches for board members to see, which include Woolen Vest, a green color for the trim, Wright Cherokee Red, a red color for the doors and portions of the trim, and Feldspar, a gray color for the main portion of the structure.

Chairwoman Barbara Jones asked Mr. and Mrs. Fox if the windows were going to be replaced as well. Mr. Fox stated that all of the windows on the bump out section of the property will be replaced. The windows in the top floor dormers have already been replaced.

Mr. Fox also added that the steel support posts will be replaced with six (6) by six (6) posts overlapping with two (2) by eight (8) beams, and then overlapped with PVC board. The posts will be able to hold more weight. Tim would also like to place cast iron "L" brackets on the interior corners of the porch posts to match the existing railings.

Secretary Marc Scurci asked if the sides of the building will be painted as well. Tim stated that the sides have already been painted and only work to the fire escape would need to be in the near future. Mr. Scurci asked if the paint was the same color as being presented and the answer was yes.

Barbara Jones asked if the board members would need to see the type of windows that would be put into the building. Board member Aaron Kulik commented that in the past board members have

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asked to see details of the type(s) of windows being installed and/or replaced on structures. These details would include a specification sheet on the window and trim, which Ms. Ciampini said could be submitted via email for further review by board members. Tim mentioned that the current single pane windows would be replaced by the same size double pane windows with PVC trim. Mr. Kulik added that board members would like to exact details of the windows and the molding on the window to ensure that the profiles of the windows are historic and fit in with the guidelines of the HARB. The architectural trim is necessary to be shown to board members as well.

Aaron also asked if the support post wraps would need to be seen by board members for approval in addition to the information for the windows. Barbara Ciampini agreed that the materials for the posts would need to be submitted via email. Ms. Ciampini asked if the posts would be wrapped pressure treated lumber, and Mr. Fox stated that the six (6) by six (6) posts would be and then the two (2) by eight (8) beams would be added to ensure additional support. The PVC trim would cover the posts.

No further discussion or questions from board or audience members. Chairwoman Barbara Jones **motioned** to recommend approval for the facade as presented contingent upon Mr. and Mrs. Fox turning in additional information, including specification sheets for the windows and trim, as well the materials used for the posts and wraps columns via email to Ms. Ciampini on or before October 31, 2018 for further approval. Board member and Planning Director Barbara Ciampini **seconded** the motion. Vice-chairman Lee Calisti abstained from the vote, as he provided guidance to the property owners on colors and the overall presentation. **All voted unanimously to recommend approval contingent upon Mr. and Mrs. Fox turning in additional information, including specification sheets for the windows and trim, as well the materials used for the posts and wraps columns via email to Ms. Ciampini on or before October 31, 2018 for further approval.** 

## Chairwoman Barbara Jones moved to adjourn the meeting.

\*Meeting adjourned at 4:59pm.\*