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Minutes

March 5, 2020, 5:00PM

PRESENT: Rob Sanders, AIA, Chairman, Sam Gardner, AIA, Vice Chairman, Laura Noble Perese, John Doyle, AIA and Kevin Quinlan, AIA

Also Present: Michael Wrinn, Town Planner,

Chairman Sanders called the meeting of the Architectural Review Board to order at 5:04 and seated the board members.

Cain Management, 39 Danbury Road explained the proposed sign change, stating that the name was changing and the awning would remain the same size. Discussion over the size of the lettering and the design of the awning in regards to water drainage. It was confirmed that the sign complied with the sign regulations. Motion to accept the proposal was made by J. Doyle, seconded by S. Gardner and was approved 4-0.

ASML, US, LLC, 77 Danbury Road – Applicant explained that the proposal was to add additional rooftop units and that metal architectural screening similar to what was placed on the rest of the building would be placed along the Danbury Road street frontage, 10' tall by 102' in

length. Discussion over the possibility of a return at the northern end of the roof, it was determined that the site did not warrant the installation, due to the location and it's on-grade screening. The Chair noted that they have done a good job so far on the project. S. Gardner made a motion to approve, seconded by K. Quinlan and approved 4-0.

Laura Noble entered the meeting and was seated as a member.

200 Danbury Road – Kevin Bennett, project architect was present. L. Noble offered to use the 300 Danbury Road resolution as a guide for this project. The project Architect showed the rear of the building, how they added landscaping, lowered the building by lowering the pitch of the roof, lowered the floor to floor height, noted that the plans they are reviewing are dated March 4, 2020. Architect explained that exterior finishes on the relocated house would be kept as is if possible. L. Nobel asked if they would be willing to work with the Historical Commission for a color palette and they would have no problem doing that. R. Sanders stated that the buildings master elements must maintain the architectural integrity of the building. Recommends maintaining Secretary of the Interior Standards. K. Quinlan and J. Doyle agreed and that they should keep as much of the old as possible. S. Gardner stated that he did not want to see the fine detail lost.

General discussion over the ADA ramp, grading, location saving fenestration on the porch, possibly moving the parking along Sharp Hill Road to give additional room around the house.

The Board discussed the use and parking for building “A”. L. Noble suggested a number of amenities: NRVt kiosk, community information board, herb garden in association with Amble Farm, something interactive, public art, rec space, bike racks. Discussion over these took place.

Discussion went to east elevation of back building, regarding lighting. The ARB would like to see the wall lighting units lowered on the building. R. Sanders thought the rear elevation was not developed as fully as it could be. It was noted that the rhythm of the HVAC screening and the railing below are not coordinated. Also reviewed the tubular screening at the garage. Discussion over the fence at the southern property line, would like to see that moved back on the site.

The meeting of the ARB was adjourned at 6:33 PM.

R. Sanders called the meeting of the Village District Design Advisory Committee to order and seated all 5 members at 6:33 PM.

3 Hubbard Road, 17 residential units, 8-30g application – Dave Groslin, Crosskey Architects presented the plans and elevations. Discussion over pedestrian circulation, which they saw as a

deep flaw of the Center. All agreed that they would like to see a path/stairway down to Hubbard Road. L. Noble asked if larger, more mature trees and some pollinator plants could be planted and some placemaking done.

Discussion went to the building and the need for larger shed roof dormers and placing them higher. Gable on gable scheme on the front was not that attractive, try and keep it on the same plane. It was suggested that the stone at the lower level be changed to brick and returned around the sides of the building. In conclusion, the group was in favor the building with the suggested changes.

Minutes of December 17, 2019 were moved by S. Gardner, seconded by K. Quinlan, approved unanimously. Minutes of February 6, 2020 were corrected by Rob Sanders, moved by S. Garner, seconded by L. Noble and approved unanimously as amended.

Discussion over the drafting of a resolution. It was offered by L. Noble that she would be willing to draft a proposed resolution based on the comments made and distribute it to the members. It was noted by M. Wrinn that the resolution would need to be voted on by the full Board at a meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 PM

***Minutes have not been reviewed by this committee and may be subject to revisions in future minutes. Full audio recordings of meeting is available at: www.wiltonct.org/tv/index.htm**