



HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Town of Ridgefield, Connecticut
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APPROVED SITE VISIT AND SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
(AMENDED JUNE 6, 2021)

Thursday May 6, 2021

A site visit and special meeting was held at 127 Main Street which was open to the public on Thursday, May 6, 2021, at 5:30 p.m.

The following members were present:

Dan O'Brien, Chair
Briggs Tobin, Vice Chair
Rhys Moore
Sean O'Kane
Elizabeth DiSalvo

Agenda

The purpose of the site visit and special meeting was to view the area of the proposed fencing on the property at 127 Main Street and possible demolition of the 1970's addition to the 1850 cottage on the property and hear and consider the Applicant's proposal thereof.

Special Meeting

The special meeting was called to order by Mr. O'Brien at 5:31 p.m. and began with a walk of the site led by the Applicant and soon-to-be property owner Ms. Nadia Blair. The current property owner Mrs. Jane Scarbrough was also present.

The Commission members walked the property with Ms. Blair who pointed out the location of the proposed fence which she had also documented in the plans she had submitted to the Commission on April 17, 2021. The submitted plans for the location of the fence lines up with the rear house door on the south side of the house and is intended to enclose the rear of the property for the safety of her young children. The proposed fence will be a white wooded picket fence four feet in height with matching gates at the end of the driveway and at the side door house entrance. The design and look of the fence is intended to be consistent with other existing picket fences within the historic district. The applicant also indicated that she wanted to replace an existing white wood picket fence, running north/south in the north side yard from the house to the northern property line, with the replacement fence to match the characteristics of the fence described above.

B. Tobin moved and R. Moore seconded a motion to approve the application as presented for the installation of 1) a four-foot high white wood picket fence and matching gates. Placement of the fence to be located based upon the plans submitted to the Commission, and 2) a four-foot high white wood picket fence in the north side yard, with a matching gate, located where an existing fence is currently located. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Tobin left the meeting.

Ms. Blair then pointed out the cottage on the property which she believes was constructed in 1850. She also showed the addition to the cottage connected by a breezeway and indicated that she would like to undertake restoration of the historic cottage and eliminate the 1970's addition by demolition. The Commission members viewed the exterior of the cottage and its 1970's addition.

R. Moore moved and S. O'Kane seconded a motion to approve the application as presented for the demolition of the addition (c. 1970's) to the cottage (c. 1850). Motion passed 4-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel J. O'Brien, Chair