

RIDGEFIELD HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Town Hall, 400 Main Street
Ridgefield, CT 06877
May 11, 2023

Policy: Historic District Commission meetings will be conducted under Roberts Rules of Order and all participants are expected to conduct themselves with dignity and treat all those present with respect, empathy and civility.

APPROVED SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

A Special meeting of the Ridgefield Historic District Commission (“HDC”) was held in the lower level small conference room of the Town Hall, 400 Main Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877, on Thursday, May 11, 2023, and beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present:

Dan O’Brien (Chair), Sean O’Kane, Kam Daughters, and Sara Kaplan (alternate for Harriet Hanlon)

AGENDA

- 1) 77 High Ridge Ave – Renovation of Existing One-Story Kitchen Wing with Changes to Window and Door Size and Locations**

Meeting:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Dan O’Brien at 6:46 p.m. Mr. Alex Bellina of Doyle|Coffin was expected to arrive shortly, representing the homeowners.

- 1) 77 High Ridge Ave – Renovation of Existing One-Story Kitchen Wing with Changes to Window and Door Size and Locations**

Mr. O’Brien distributed the plans.

Mr. O’Kane walked the Commission members through the changes. Essentially the wide French doors would be replaced with narrower French doors and a double hung window. These new French doors would be representative of other same doors throughout the house. Ms. Kaplan said she preferred the original design because it appeared balanced.

Mr. Bellina arrived at approximately 6:50p.m. Mr. O’Kane asked him about the outside porch railing. Are there straight pickets? Mr. Bellina said yes. Mr. Bellina said this was an interesting house. It has had several renovations throughout its life. Ms. Daughters asked the age of the house. Mr. Bellina said it was from the late 1800’s. He wasn’t sure of the exact year.

Mr. Bellina said for the windows, they were using Pella wood windows in mahogany. This would last longer. They were looking to replace five windows and a wider French door. Mr. O’Kane said this appeared to be a straight forward project.

Mr. O’Kane moved and Ms. Kaplan seconded a motion to approve the plans dated April 21, 2023 as presented for the renovation of the existing one-story kitchen wing with changes to the window and door size and locations. Motion passed 4-0.

Ms. Daughters moved and Ms. Kaplan seconded a motion to adjourn the Historic District Commission Meeting at 7:15 p.m. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy L. Fields
Recording Secretary