

Design Review and Historic Preservation Board
Minutes
February 25, 2021

PRESENT

Dirk Schneider, Chairman; Paul Whitbeck, John Mitchell, Kathleen Cristman, Bonnie Salem, Leticia Fornataro

ALSO PRESENT

Robert Koegel, Town Attorney; Allen Reitz, Assistant Building Inspector; Susan Donnelly, Secretary to the Board

ABSENT

David Wigg

Proceedings of a regular meeting of the Pittsford Design Review and Historic Preservation Board were held on Thursday, February 25 at 6:00 P.M. local time. The meeting took place with Board members and applicants participating remotely using Zoom.

Dirk Schneider, Chairman opened the meeting at 6:00 pm.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION DISCUSSION

There was no historic preservation discussion.

RESIDENTIAL APPLICATION FOR REVIEW - RETURNING

• **11 Old Landmark Drive**

The Applicant is returning for design review for the addition of a screened porch. The screened porch will be approximately 225 square feet and will be located to the rear of the property.

Mike Heiler of Homes by Design Woodworking was present to discuss the application with the Board.

Mr. Heiler stated that the construction of a screened porch will feature brick and trim which will match the original structure. An arch feature is added to blend with current trim elements on the home. Board members commented on the visibility of the line of the screen window is hidden behind the arch.

Bonnie Salem moved to accept the application as submitted with the recommendation that the line of the screen be hidden behind the arch.

John Mitchell seconded.

All Ayes

RESIDENTIAL APPLICATION FOR REVIEW - NEW

• **9 Northstone Rise**

The Applicant is requesting design review for the addition of a three-season room. The addition will be approximately 556 square feet and will be located to the rear of the home. This application was approved for a side setback variance on 2/15/2021.

Dominick Caroselli was present to discuss the application with the Board.

Mr. Caroselli discussed that this addition had received a variance for a rear setback from the Zoning Board of Appeals. He said that the split rock stone would be in a color palette that is complementary to the siding. The timbers will be stained in a similar color palette. The roofing will be consistent with what is existing.

Paul Whitbeck moved to approve the application as submitted.

Leticia Fornataro seconded.

All Ayes.

RESIDENTIAL APPLICATION FOR REVIEW – NEW HOME

- **4 Rockdale Meadows**

The Applicant is requesting design review for the construction of a one story single family home. The home will be approximately 2302 sq. ft. and will be located in the Coventry Ridge Subdivision.

Steve Maynard of Spall Homes was present.

Mr. Maynard stated that this was the 18th patio home to be built in this subdivision. The home is sold and the color palette has been chosen. The home will feature three textures but the horizontal shingles and shakes will be the same color – a medium gray color. The roof will be black.

Paul Whitbeck pointed out the use of three textures and Mr. Maynard stated that 2/3 of the homes in this development feature three textures.

Kathleen Cristman moved to accept the application as submitted.

John Mitchell seconded.

All Ayes.

APPLICATION FOR LANDMARK DESIGNATION

- **East Street Burying Ground**

The Applicant is requesting design review to designate the East Street Burying Ground as a Historic Landmark in accordance with Article XXX, Section 185-195.3 of the Pittsford Town Code. The property is zoned RN (Residential Neighborhood).

Dirk Schneider opened the public hearing.

Bonnie Salem introduced the nominated property. She stated that this burial ground is historically significant as it is the final resting place of Simon Stone, one of the co-founders of the Town of Northfield later Pittsford. Mr. Stone set aside part of his property to serve as a burial ground for the early settlers of the area. Forty-five burials took place between 1814 – 1879.

Bonnie thanked Town Historian Audrey Johnson for her efforts in researching the history of the Burying Ground and the Town Board for agreeing to go forward with permission for the designation.

Margaret Carrabares-Brizee offered public comment. She noted that she supports the designation of the burying ground and the Historic Pittsford organization of which she is a member of “fully endorses” it as well.

Paul Whitbeck moved to close the public hearing.

John Mitchell seconded.

Whitbeck Aye
Salem Aye
Schneider Aye
Cristman Aye
Fornataro Aye
Mitchell Aye

Dirk Schneider closed the Public Hearing.

A resolution was moved by Board member Bonnie Salem, seconded by Board member Leticia Fornataro and was voted upon by members of the Board as follows:

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| David Wigg | Absent |
| Dirk Schneider | Aye |
| Bonnie Salem | Aye |
| Kathleen Cristman | Aye |
| Leticia Fornataro | Aye |
| Paul Whitbeck | Aye |
| John Mitchell | Aye |

The burial ground and entire parcel were granted Landmark Designation 2021-02.

OTHER – REVIEW OF 2/11/2021 MINUTES

John Mitchell moved to approve the minutes of February 11, 2021 as written.

Bonnie Salem seconded.

All Ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

Dirk Schneider moved to close the meeting at 6:40 pm.

All Ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Donnelly
Secretary to the Design Review and Historic Preservation Board