

TOWN OF FARMINGTON
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

July 21, 2020

Present for the online web conference meeting was Chair Bombara, Commissioners Calciano, Haviland, O’Leary and Alternate Commissioner Sanford. The Interim Town Planner and Clerk were also present. The meeting was called to order at 4:11 p.m.

Chair Bombara read the legal notice into the record.

PUBLIC HEARING

William Nagler – 35 Colton Street

Application for Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to install new gutter on western portion of south side of home at 35 Colton Street. Mr. Nagler would like to add a white aluminum gutter with downspout on the south side of his house to match the gutter on the north side of the house. Photos were presented for clarification. Mr. Nagler stated this improvement will protect the picture windows during rainstorms on the south side of the house.

There was no public comment in favor or in opposition to the application.

The public hearing closed at 4:16 p.m.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Calciano/Haviland) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the William Nagler application for Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to install new gutter on western portion of south side of home at 35 Colton Street as presented and on file in the Planning Office.

Elisabeth L. Wilde – 13 Colton Street

Application for Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness for Colton Street facing façade changes to include the addition of a standing seam aluminum clad pent roof over garage doors with recessed lights, small roof over front door, new cornice and frieze boards, replace windows, remove shutters, add light fixture and replace wood panel door at 13 Colton Street. Hilary Donald, L’Arc Architects, presented the proposed façade changes; add new standing seam, aluminum clad pent roof with wood bracket, replacement wood paneled door, new wood panel to the left of the front door with new lantern, new wood frieze boards over front entry and at the top of the second story, replace windows with aluminum clad wood simulated divided lite windows, new wood cornice and replace and resize attic window with clad wood simulated divided lite with wood casing. The Commission asked clarifying questions about the proposed changes and asked for confirmation whether or not the shutters will be removed as shown in the June 5, 2020 L’Arc Architects plan. Ms. Donald responded yes; the shutters will be removed.

There was no public comment in favor or in opposition to the application.

The public hearing closed at 4:29 p.m.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Haviland/Sanford) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the Elisabeth L. Wilde application for Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness for Colton Street facing façade changes to include the addition of a standing seam aluminum clad pent roof over garage doors with recessed lights, small roof over front door, new cornice and frieze boards, replace windows, remove shutters, add light fixture and replace wood panel door at 13 Colton Street as presented in plan dated June 5, 2020 by L'Arc Architects and on file in the Planning Office.

Miss Porter's School – 44 Main Street

Application for Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to replace windows and shutters at the Colgate Wellness Center at 44 Main Street. Katie Bradley represented Miss Porter's School request to replace damaged and mismatched shutters with new cedar shutter with push rods. Ms. Bradley stated they would also like to replace all the windows on the first and second floors and two ground floor windows on the west side of the building. The new windows are proposed aluminum clad, wood windows two over two sash patterns. The rear addition portion of the building currently has eight over eight windows and they are requesting to replace with two over two to match the original windows.

There was no public comment in favor or in opposition to the application.

The public hearing closed at 4:34 p.m.

Upon a motion made and seconded (O'Leary/Haviland) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the Miss Porter's School application for Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness to replace windows and shutters at the Colgate Wellness Center at 44 Main Street as presented and on file in the Planning Office.

Miss Porter's School – 3 Porter Road

Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness for a 61' - 6" x 14' addition to the Dance Barn at 3 Porter Road. Katie Bradley represented Miss Porter's School's request to add restrooms, changing rooms and vestibule to the Dance Barn. Site improvements included regrading and parking lot improvements for improved ADA access to the northeast entrance. The exterior materials on the addition were reviewed; roof material to match the existing building, aluminum storefront windows, aluminum glass door, clapboard with match existing and an additional chimney. Ms. Bradley explained the different options for the faux chimney/chase to hide mechanicals. After some discussion Option 3 with the shed roof was preferred and clad to match the siding. Option three does not extend beyond the roofline.

There was no public comment in favor or in opposition to the application.

The public hearing closed at 5:00 p.m.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Calciano/Sanford) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the Miss Porter's School application for Temporary Certificate of Appropriateness for a 61' - 6" x 14' addition to the Dance Barn at 3 Porter Road as presented using Option 3 with standing seam metal shed roof and as on file in the Planning Office.

OTHER BUSINESS

First Church

Staff contacted the First Church to consider a more appropriate sign frame for their temporary signs. The temporary sign has been removed.

Study Report

The report was completed adding five homes to the District. The Plan & Zoning Commission reviewed at their July 20, 2020 meeting and voted to forward a positive referral to the FHDC. Next, the report goes to the State for review and approval. Then a public hearing will be held by the FHDC.

PLANNER'S REPORT

No Planner's Report.

MINUTES

Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2020

Upon a motion made and seconded (Haviland/O'Leary) it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the May 19, 2020 Farmington Historic District Commission meeting minutes.

The meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

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