

Village of Athens Planning Board
Athens Village Office, 2 First Street, Athens, NY 12015
Meeting September 20, 2017

Members Present: Margaret Moree, John Miller, Kurt Parde, Bill Tompkins and Peggy Snyder, Secretary

Absent: Carrie Feder

There was a valid quorum present for voting purposes.

Meeting called to order at 6:25 pm by Chairman Moree

Minutes

Motion was made by Bill Tompkins and seconded by John Miller to approve the August 15, 2017 minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Bill Tompkins and seconded by John Miller to approve the September 1, 2017 Special Board Meeting minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business

Philip Miller, 4 North Washington Street, an application to replace siding with hardie board, replace windows with Anderson 6 over 6, add a window in the front southwest side of building, extend length of existing porch to 17 feet, replace existing brick front porch with wood panels and post. Sample of siding with color of Plank Gray supplied along with drawings, pictures and window information. The framing of the windows will also be Plank Gray. A motion was made by Margaret Moree to approve the application for new wood porch 17 feet in length, new Anderson 6 over 6 windows in Plank Gray; installation of new window on SE side of structure, new dental molding on porch and replace siding with Plank Gray hardie board as detailed in the application. The motion was seconded by Kurt Parde, all in favor, motion carried.

Marne Rizika, 16 South Montgomery Street, presented with an application to paint the residence and garage and modify front porch by removing siding and opening porch; modify rear deck on southeast side to add a 6' opening with wooden stairs to a 6' platform. Color samples in Sherwin Williams paint were supplied. A motion was made by Kurt Parde to approve the painting of the house in Blushing, porch floor in Studio Clay; trim and columns in Medici Ivory; door in Peppery. Modify the front porch by removing siding for an open look; modify the back deck for entrance on SE corner to 6' opening onto a 6' platform. The garage will be painted as the house and the resident will return with a color for the garage door. While installation of a pergola on deck was discussed, homeowner to return should she wish to proceed after other work on deck is completed and stability of existing deck is clearer. The motion was seconded by Bill Tompkins, all in favor, motion carried.

Timothy Watkins, 26 North Franklin Street, presented with photos of structure to replace an existing rear window vent area with a wooden door 104" in height and 36" wide painted in existing trim color; install stockade fence on NW side of home no more than 6' in height, install stockade fence no more than 6' in height from ground on NE corner of structure. A motion was made by Margaret Moree and seconded by Kurt Parde to approve the installation of a door in existing window vent area, 104" high and 36" wide; install fence on front NW corner, stockade, match existing trim in color, no more than 6' inclusive of grade and no longer than 6' run; install stockade fence on back NW corner. All in favor, motion carried.

James Gaudette, 19 Second Street, application with photos, drawings and work plan presented to repair entry porch roof with copper, frame over the box gutters with 6" half round gutters with 3" round corrugated

downspouts all in copper. The corbels will be replaced with wood replicated cornice corbels. Painted white. Molding on porch will match those on roofline. A motion was made by Margaret Moree and seconded by John Miller to repair and replace roof molding and cornices/corbels all in wood; replace box gutters with half round copper gutters; copper roof on porch; porch molding to match roofline. All in favor, motion carried.

Linda Wooten, 31 North Washington Street, contractor presented application with drawings and photos to repair siding and trim and then paint in Valspar Ocean Storm with Ultra White trim, door in Spun Honey; install railing on both sides of front door with turned spindles painted in Ultra White; install 50' of 6' stockade fencing to match existing fencing on side of church parking lot from SE corner of structure. The home presently has asbestos siding that will be repaired/replaced. A motion was made by Margaret Moree and seconded by Bill Tompkins to approve the repairs and painting as detailed in the application and the installation of fencing on the SE property to back property line. All in favor except Kurt Parde who opposed. Motion carried.

Carol Barnard, 44 North Franklin Street, application to replace existing fence at back of property, add a garden gate in another section. Some photos included with application, applicant not present. After discussion Board stated more information is needed for approval and the application is tabled until next month.

Miriah Little, 91 North Washington Street, contractor seeking information to build at back of structure a 1 ½ story addition where there is now a porch. There will be no change in the footprint and it will not encroach on the existing side yard setbacks. Chairman Moree stated that this property will need the Code Enforcement Officer to review and provide the attestation that the plans are consistent with the Village's Flood Damage Prevention Law. This application will also need to be reviewed by the Water Advisory Committee, plans left for their review. Mike Ragaini, CEO present and will review the plans with the contractor and they will present at next meeting if consent is given.

Becky & Bob Hart, 19 North Warren Street, contractor seeking information to remove additions to structure and place a one story addition to rear of present structure. Contractor seeking clarity if the proposed plans would require Zoning Board of Approval for an area variance. The proposed new structure will be within existing footprint of structures to be removed, but will not meet the side yard setbacks in the Code, structures currently fall within non-conforming standards in the Code. Chairman Moree stated she will contact the Village Attorney for opinion and will also review with the CEO and provide feedback prior to next Board meeting.

Other Business

Chairman Moree advised the Code Enforcement Officer a resident had questioned her about a fence installation on North Vernon Street which appeared to violate Code front yard height standards. Code Enforcement Officer advised that the homeowner did not get a fence permit for the installation and he had made a visit to the property. He will follow-up with the homeowner on bringing the fence into compliance with Code standards.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Snyder
Secretary, Village of Athens Planning Board