

HISTORIC VERMILION DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

Meeting Minutes of August 4, 2021 @ 6:00 pm

Roll Call: Robbie Brown, Judy Williams, Susan Cairns, Brenda Miklos. Absent: Marilou Suszko

Robbie Brown, Chairwoman called the Wednesday, August 4, 2021 meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

J. Williams MOVED; S. Cairns seconded to approve the meeting minutes of July 7, 2021. Roll Call Vote 4 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

OLD BUSINESS:

(Commercial) Applicant: Old Prague Restaurant - 5586 Liberty Avenue (Roof, Windows, Door)

R. Brown asked what color the roof will be. M. Lich noted the roof will be galvanized (brown) to match stage.

R. Brown MOVED; J. Williams seconded to approve the application as submitted. Vote 3 YEAS, 1 NAY (Cairns). **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Residential) Applicant: Cory Rebman – 5157 South Street (Fence)

This fence installation was done as an emergency and the property owner will come back before the board prior to staining the fence next year.

R. Brown MOVED; J. Williams seconded to approve the emergency fence installation. Vote 4 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

NEW BUSINESS:

(Residential) Applicant: Rodney Shephard – 5220 Ohio Street (Emergency Roof Repair)

The applicant was not present pursuant to emergency roof repair that was already completed due to a leak.

(Commercial) Applicant: Chuck Norton – P&P Enterprises – 5463 Liberty Avenue (Awning, Rear Access, Landscaping)

Chuck Norton provided the board with a display of colors. He noted the awning will be in forest green with no words.

J. Williams MOVED; B. Miklos seconded to approve the application as submitted. Roll Call Vote 4 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Residential) Applicant: William & Joan Coho – 5769 Huron Street (Entrances)

The applicant proposed to put up a white railing going around the porch and down the five steps.

B. Miklos MOVED; S. Cairns seconded to approve the application as submitted. Vote 4 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

(Commercial) Applicant: Brian Debrason – 5693 Liberty Avenue (Signage)

A lot of discussion ensued on replacing the Coal & Ice Sign on the property which will be 4' x 8'. R. Brown said she would have suggested a different sign as it is too much for Harbortown. However, the board did not want to hold up a new business.

R. Brown MOVED; B. Miklos seconded to approve the sign as designed. Roll Call Vote 4 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

R. Brown discussed the clear definitions of their role as members of the board. Additional discussion ensued around making sure the public is aware they need to come before the board prior to beginning work. Also, applicants need to be aware they should provide material/color samples; old/current photographs and site layouts (including building elevations/architectural renderings when practical), so the aesthetic impact of all proposed plans can be fairly assessed.

ADJOURNMENT:

R. Brown adjourned the meeting upon no further discussion.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, September 1, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.
@ Vermilion Municipal Complex, 687 Decatur Street, Vermilion

In G. Fisher's absence, R. Brown provided a recap of minutes/roll call votes of the meeting to G. Fisher to transcribe.