



Town of Stowe- Historic Preservation Commission

Meeting Minutes – February 22, 2023

A meeting of the Stowe Historic Preservation Commission (SHPC) was held on Wednesday February 22, 2023, at approximately 5:15 pm.

Participation was in person at the Akeley Memorial Building, online or telephone via Zoom.

Members Present: George Bambara, Tyson Bry, Barbara Baraw, Jennifer Guazzoni, Shap Smith, Christian Carey, Cindy McKechnie

Staff Present: Sarah McShane, Ryan Morrison

The meeting was called to order at 5:15pm by meeting chair George Bambara.

Project #: 7083

Owner: Sparky Properties LLC

Tax Parcel #: 07-312.040

Location: 68 Central Dr

Project: Amend permit #6418 to increase the size and height of the approved dormer

Zoning: RR1/RR2/SHOD

The applicant was not in attendance and the board opted to skip the review until the applicant was present. The applicant did not attend. The application will be heard at the March 8, 2023 HPC meeting.

Project #: 7085

Owner: David Geschwind

Tax Parcel #: 7A-066.000

Location: 280 Maple St

Project: Remove front porch and replace with a covered entrance landing

Zoning: VR20

D. Geschwind was present to provide an overview of the proposal. He proposes to remove the existing front porch because it is deteriorating. He stated that attempts were made to shore it up, and no one sits out there because of the noisy traffic along Maple St. The intent is to replace it with a smaller covered entry. The structure is listed as a contributing resource on the National Historic Register, making note of the front porch. B. Baraw commented that the proposed porch does not go with the house in terms of size and comparison. Further comment from the board requested that the applicant obtain an architect's/engineers report detailing the condition of the existing porch and whether it is salvageable or not. Additionally, revised plans need to be submitted that show more detail, including all windows, doors, and exterior lights. The board recommended that the applicant return for review when the requested items have been prepared. The application is considered a minor.

Project #: 7082

Owner: Sag LLC

Tax Parcel #: 7A-114.000

Location: 350 Mountain Rd

Project: Remove a residence and a garage and construct 2 new duplex buildings and a storage building

Zoning: VC30

Peter Heintzelman was present to provide an overview of the proposal. The proposal involves the removal of a single-family residence and a garage, and the construction of 2 new duplex buildings and a storage building. The existing cedar hedge row provides adequate screening of the new development from Mountain Road. Some additional landscape is included on the plan. The board requested that the applicant provide additional plans showing the location of exterior mechanical units/condensers, and renderings of the project as viewed from Dump Road and from the Stowe Rec Path. Additionally, photos of all sides of the buildings to be demolished are requested. The board recommended that the applicant return for review when the requested items have been prepared. The application is considered a major.

Other Business:

- C. Carey presented upcoming plans for exterior renovations to 109 Main St. Alterations from the approved plans include shifts in window locations, alterations to dormers and roof lines, and siding changes. The board viewed the plans positively and recommended that he move forward with a zoning permit application submittal when ready.

No changes or edits were made to the prior meeting minutes. The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Ryan Morrison, Deputy Zoning Coordinator