

Minutes
Design Review Board
March 22, 2018
Town Council Chambers – Municipal Building
93 Cottage Street
6:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. Members present: Barbara Sassaman, Chair; Emily Dwyer, Member; Pancho Cole, Member; Peter Bono, Secretary; Steve Demers, Vice Chair; Andrew Geel, Member arriving at 6:03 P.M.

II. EXCUSED ABSENCES

There were none.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Cole moved to adopt the agenda as proposed. Mr. Bono seconded the motion and the Board voted 5-0 to approve the motion.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. February 8, 2018

Mr. Cole moved to approve the minutes of February 8, 2018 as proposed. Mr. Demers seconded the motion and the Board voted 5-0 to approve the motion.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There was none.

VI. BUILDING PERMIT REMINDERS

The applicants were reminded that they would need to apply for and receive a building permit prior to commencing any of the activities approved at the meeting.

VII. REGULAR BUSINESS

a. Certificate of Appropriateness

Application: DRB-2018-04

Applicant: Tom Hulbert, Black Friar Inn

Project Location: 10 Summer Street, 104-052-000

Proposed Project: Changes to Exterior Appearance of a Nonhistoric Building

The applicant explained that the work had already been done so this was an after the fact request. He noted that the door was installed to let natural light into the dining room.

Mr. Cole stated that he thought the unusable door looked awkward. Mr. Demers added that he was troubled by the disconnect between the door and the other elements of the building. Mr. Bono read the ordinance requirements for proportionality of windows on a building.

Mr. Cole moved to approve the application as proposed. Ms. Dwyer seconded the motion and the Board voted 4-2 to approve the motion with Mr. Bono and Mr. Demers against.

b. Certificate of Appropriateness (Continuation)

Application: DRB-2017-34

Applicant: Oli's Trolley

Project Location: 1 West Street, 104-038-000

Proposed Project: Installation of Signage

Ms. Searchfield explained that there was no HUB of Bar Harbor to facilitate the approval of this project so the Chamber of Commerce took it over. She noted that the sign was designed by Mike Rogers who was on the original design committee within the HUB program. She also added that it was her understanding that the existing flower planter was going to be reconstructed but she didn't have those details. The Board discussed at great length the height of the sign and access to the electrical equipment.

Mr. Demers moved to approve the sign as proposed. Mr. Geel seconded the motion and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the motion.

c. Certificate of Appropriateness

Application: DRB-2018-05

Applicant: Eric Allvin, Holbrook House

Project Location: 74 Mount Desert Street, 104-413-000

Proposed Project: Changes to Exterior Appearance of a Historic Building

The applicant explained that this was where a window had been years ago and closed up at some point. Mr. Cole agreed that a window was needed on the gable end.

Mr. Cole moved to approve the application as submitted with the additional allowance to paint the trim red and any other door or window on that same side of the building. Mr. Demers seconded the motion and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the motion.

d. Certificate of Appropriateness

Application: DRB-2018-06

Applicant: Scott Malone, MDI Hospital

Project Location: 315 Main Street, 107-191-000

Proposed Project: Installation of Signage

The applicant explained that the sign would be hung on the existing bracket and secured with carabiner clips. There are no lights proposed.

Mr. Cole moved to approve the application as proposed with the condition that the top bracket be as long as possible. Mr. Demers seconded the motion and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the motion.

e. Certificate of Appropriateness

Application: DRB-2018-07

Applicant: D'Alessio Gallery

Project Location: 12 Mount Desert Street, 104-454-000

Proposed Project: Installation of Signage

The Board reviewed the multi-tenant signage plan.

Mr. Cole moved to approve the signage plan as proposed. Mr. Bono seconded the motion and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the motion.

The Board discussed the existing signage, the lighting, the window lettering and recalculated the signage totals.

Ms. Sassaman moved to approve the signs on the doors and 2 windows for unit 1 as submitted (16.85 square feet) and a .5 square foot sign, a 2.3 square foot sign and a 72" X 27" sign for unit 2. Ms. Dwyer seconded the motion and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the motion.

f. Certificate of Appropriateness

Application: DRB-2018-08

Applicant: Dana Pelletier

Project Location: 32 Cottage Street, 104-368-000

Proposed Project: Installation of Signage

The applicant explained that he was proposing a 8' X 3' sign on the west side of the building and a 6' X 3' sign on the north side.

The Board pointed out to the applicant that he had not installed shutters that he had been approved for, the windows were not installed as approved, and that the paper signage in the windows did not meet code.

Mr. Cole noted that this was too much signage on the corner of the building. Ms. Dwyer asked if the sign could be moved more to the right on the west side of the building. Mr. Demers agreed that these signs are too big for this building. It was suggested that a longer, shorter sign would look more appropriate on the west side of the building. The Board agreed that the colors of the signs didn't compliment the building and there was no connection between the colors.

Ms. Sassaman moved to table this application to the April 5, 2018 meeting. Mr. Cole seconded the motion and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the motion.

VIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Mr. Demers and Ms. Dwyer will be absent from the April 12, 2018 meeting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Cole moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 P.M. Mr. Bono seconded the motion and the Board voted 6-0 to approve the motion.

Signed as approved:



4-18-18

**Peter Bono, Secretary
Design Review Board, Town of Bar Harbor**

Date