

NEXT MEETING: February 25, 2021 @ 6:00 P.M. via Zoom

**VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK
MINUTES OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
January 28, 2021**

Chairman Jeff Hoffman called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m., it having been duly noted that this meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of which was published in The Record and sent to the Star Ledger as well as posted on the Village message board. Roll call was taken. Members present were: Jeff Hoffman, Gerard Garofalow, Andre Lam and Bob Olson. Not present: Matt Bilow, Juan Kuriyama, James Manfredi, Andre Lam.

The minutes of the November 19, 2020, meeting were approved on a motion made by Jeff Hoffman and seconded by Gerard Garofalow. All were in favor of the motion. There was no meeting in December due to the weather.

APPROVAL NOTES: ANY APPROVALS REMAIN SUBJECT TO THE APPLICANT SECURING CONSTRUCTION PERMITS FOR ALL WORK REVIEWED BY THIS COMMISSION. ALL APPROVALS FOR SIGNS ARE SUBJECT TO CONFORMANCE WITH ZONING ORDINANCE AND MUST BE APPROVED AS SUCH BY THE ZONING OFFICER.

IF THERE ARE ANY DEVIATIONS TO WHAT IS APPROVED, ANY AND ALL CHANGES MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE HPC PRIOR TO ANY WORK BEING DONE. THIS INCLUDES ANY CHANGES IN PLANS, MATERIAL, COLORS, ETC., WHICH HAVE BEEN GIVEN FINAL APPROVAL BY THE HPC. NOTE: BACKLIT, INTERNALLY LIGHTED, AND NEON SIGNS ARE NOT PERMITTED) LIGHTED/LED SIGNS ARE ONLY PERMITTED IF THEY ARE INSTALLED 2' INSIDE THE WINDOW. NO FLASHING OR SCROLLING LIGHTS/SIGNS PERMITTED.

Public Comments (not pertaining to applications): None.

New Business: (20-12-01) apothecarie new york, 225 Main Street. (Svelte Brands, 2 Bergen Tpke, Ridgefield Park 646-345-4179 max@sveltebrands.com) submitted an application to install lettering as per plan on store front and side. Black letters to be applied to white background to read: "apothecarie NEW YORK " on one sign and "salon + spa" on the other sign; no lighting is proposed. Black gooseneck lights to be installed.

The application was sent to members for review in between meetings and no one had any objections to the application.

Information on the gooseneck lights was reviewed by the Chairman and approved as well.

A motion was made by Andre Lam and seconded by Jeff Hoffman to approve the application as submitted to install lettering as per plan on store front and side. Black letters to be applied to white background to read: "apothecarie NEW YORK " on one sign and "salon + spa" on the other sign; gooseneck lighting is proposed and details were submitted for approval before installation.

Voting results for (20-12-01) apothecarie new york, 225 Main Street. The application was approved.

MEMBER	YES	NO	RECUSE
Jeff Hoffman, Chairman	X		
Gerard Garofalow, Vice	X		
Matthew Bilow			X
Juan Kuriyama	X		
James Manfredi			
Donna Rose-McEntee	X		
Alternates:			
Robert Olson			
Andre Lam	X		

(20-12-02) ICCA Sushi, 9 Mt. Vernon Street (Andrew Yang, 270 North Street, Teterboro, NJ 07608 201-440-1400 fisign@yahoo.com). Sign maker submitted an application: sign panels on two sides of building facing two streets (Mt. Vernon Street and Herbert Street), non-illuminated sign to read: "ICCA Sushi 201-919-2558 (black letters) ICCA Sushi (red letters) with white background, aluminum panel sign 9'-0" W x 3'-0"H x 1" D and 15'-0" W x 2'-0"H x 1" D, 3mm white dura bond aluminum "V" bending, 1" metal square frame with black and red vinyl letters.

The application was sent to members for review in between meetings and no one had any objections to the application.

A motion was made by Donna Rose-McEntee and seconded by Jeff Hoffman to approve the application as submitted with work as follows: install signage as per plan on store front and side; non-illuminated aluminum panel sign 9" W x 3'H x 1" D and 15'W x 2'H x 1" D; 3 mm white dura bond aluminum 'V' bending, 1" metal square frame; black and red vinyl letters reading: ICCA Sushi 201-919-2558 (black) and ICCA SUSHI (red); mounting details listed on drawing.

Voting results for (20-12-02) ICCA Sushi, 9 Mt. Vernon Street. The application was approved.

MEMBER	YES	NO	RECUSE
Jeff Hoffman, Chairman	X		
Gerard Garofalow, Vice			
Matthew Bilow	X		
Juan Kuriyama	X		
James Manfredi			
Donna Rose-McEntee	X		
Alternates:			
Robert Olson			
Andre Lam	X		

Old Business: None.

Correspondence/Notes/Comments:

A. Correspondence received:

- Email dated 12/8/20 from Rosemarie Kleinert Re: 265 Main Street – review of proposed antenna and equipment installation/modification (upgrade) at an existing 120.3 foot building
- Email dated 12/22/20 from Sunny Shin Re: 173 Main Street – she will submit an application for the signage.
- Email dated 1/4/21 from Christina Tolen, Realtor, Re: 20 Arthur Street and if church is in historic district. Reply was sent that it is not in historic district and copying Mike Landolfi to see if he could help her.

B. Gerard Garofalow met with Mike Landolfi on 12/2/20 to discuss open matters.

Items discussed at monthly meeting with Building Dept.

- **SMC Hair (165 Main Street)** – Letters sent 5/14/18 and 11/1/18 – window has been lettered without permit and has two flashing signs in the window. There has been no response to any letter. They have also spray painted on sidewalk leaving residue on adjacent business owner's sidewalk.
Mike Landolfi (ML) will check on flashing light, sign and sidewalk.
- **Touch Hair Salon (189 Main Street)** – blacktop installed as sidewalk
ML will check on this.
- **Domino's (172 Main Street)** – windows on Cedar Street side of building are covered in signage, not approved and over limit; there is also a shattered window on the Cedar Street side of the building
- **ML will speak to them about installing three flagpoles with 3' x 5' American flags. They will be given 30 days to complete the work or be issued a summons. As far as the empty store, they cannot get a CO because they have done unapproved work without a permit.**
- **(20-07-02) 181 Main Street** – Contractor Stephen Carlucci (SC Contracting LLC, 505 Dewy Avenue, Cliffside Park, NJ 07010 551-302-1176) submitted an application for work previously done without approval. An application was submitted and denied on 7/17/20. The HPC recommended that the work be removed, and a new application submitted, however, nothing has been removed or any application submitted.
ML said the contractor should be submitting a new application but it has not been received yet.
- **Art Mora (173 Main Street)** – installed signage and lighting at new business without submitting an application
Sunny Shin emailed the HPC on 12/22/20 that she would submit the paperwork but it has not been received yet.
- **Betsy's Bagels (192 Main Street)** – installed signage without submitting an application
ML said they will be submitting an application but it has not been received yet.
- **Antiques (232 Main Street)** – installed signage without submitting an application
ML will speak to the owner (new business) and tell him he has 30 days to submit an application.
- **Mike Landolfi advised that applications are now being told sidewalks must be sealed. Matt Bilow updated the sidewalk drawing to include this and it is now attached to the application.**

C. Donna Rose-McEntee asked if signs and/or markers could be placed on houses in town that have historical importance. She also mentioned that the entrance signs into the town need updating to make a better appearance when people enter RP.

D. There is talk of looking to make a centralized firehouse in RP. One of the properties that has been part of the talks as a possible location, the Centennial House on Mt. Vernon Street, is historic and in the historic district, yet the HPC has not been included or consulted in any of these talks. Gerard Garofalow said that the current plan being discussed would have Hose Co. No. 1 demolished, all firehouses turning over their deeds to the Village and one firehouse within the town kept for meetings. The HPC would like to know what other properties might be involved if this project moves ahead. Gerard said that Rich Flynn is on this committee and would be the proper person to speak with to get further information. The HPC will send him an email.

Announcements – Elections were held.

A motion was made by Donna Rose-McEntee and seconded by Bob Olson nominating Jeff Hoffman as Chairman. All were in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Jeff Hoffman and seconded by Donna Rose-McEntee nominating Gerard Garofalow as Vice-Chairman. All were in favor of the motion. As Vice-Chairman, Gerard Garofalow, will handle the monthly meetings with the Building Dept.

2021 meeting dates @ 6:00 p.m. in the municipal building when in-person meetings resume:

**JANUARY 28
FEBRUARY 25
MARCH 25
APRIL 22**

**MAY 27
JUNE 24
JULY 22
AUGUST 26**

**SEPTEMBER 23
OCTOBER 28
NOVEMBER 18 (THIRD THURSDAY)
DECEMBER 16 (THIRD THURSDAY)**

****Meetings will be held via Zoom until further notice. The same link will be used each month.**

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pwd=YUFGTDJzNzNaWTRlbnmdDYnpOR0hldz09 Meeting ID: 756 3862 0829 Passcode: PKH4G6

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. on a motion by Gerard Garofalow and seconded by Donna Rose-McEntee. All were in favor of this motion.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 25, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara DeLuca

cc: Building Dept./Zoning Board/Planning Board