DESIGN REVIEW BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
June 12, 2019
36 Bartlet Street
Third Floor Conference Room B

Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order at 6:39 p.m. Present were members Craig Gibson, Paul Maue, Suzanne Korschun, Anita Renton and Eric Daum.

APPLICATIONS

Bangor Savings Bank, 60 Main Street
DRB-19-13 (GB)

Mr. Mathieu from Neokraft Signs presented the application of one attached sign. This sign will be directly mounted over the front façade. It will be blue aluminum with white and silver acrylic lettering. Mr. Daum has concerns with the shape of the sign in relation to the architecture of the building. Mr. Daum doesn’t like how the sign presented spans between the pilasters. The DRB recommends putting one sign over the door under the window within the panel, a blade sign, or a free standing sign. The client could do all 3 recommendations from the board though they will be smaller in size it will increase their visibility by repetition. The DRB would like to see another option and suggested having the client come in so they can review it with them. Mr. Mathieu said the client is going to fight for this sign because they are very particular. Mr. Mathieu believes any other signage than what he has proposed will not be visible to anyone. This office will be used mostly for business, commercial and housing loans. Mr. Maue questioned if there was another left justified graphic that could be used above the door. Mr. Mathieu said they have a stacked logo but to make it visible it wouldn’t fit in the 6 foot area that is why they didn’t go with that one. If the client does not want to try another option the plan would be to let the Building Secretary, Gina Decareau know so she can inform the DRB and the Building Inspector would have the final say in approval of the signage.

Mr. Daum moved to reject the application as submitted and request a resubmittal of the alternate designs.
Ms. Korschun seconded the motion.
Vote: Unanimous (0-5)
Ms. Little presented the application of a two-in-one projecting sign. The existing bracket will be used for the new sign. The chain is made of stainless steel and the sign’s will be black and white. Ms. Little’s business is Starlet and she shares a retail space with the owner of Null. These are two separate businesses using one bracket to hold two signs.

Mr. Daum moved to accept the application as submitted with the note that the chains be stainless steel. Ms. Renton seconded the motion. **Vote:** Unanimous (5-0)

Ms. Hanson and Ms. Allwarden presented the application for exterior renovations. Some of the renovations they are looking to make are to replace the current roof with the same materials, replace the front and side cedar shingles and replace with panels, columns, moldings in Azek white material. They are also looking to replace the front windows and slightly enlarge them as well as replacing the front doors with glass doors. Mr. Daum is disappointed in the proposed changes of the shingled building and feels there is something charming about it. Mr. Daum is also concerned because the drawings presented are not to scale and they do not give a clear sense. Ms. Hanson’s initial intention was to just replace the shakes on the building but the tenants don’t like it and it is extremely expensive. Mr. Daum strongly feels there should be an architect involved with this project but Ms. Hanson said she is not willing to spend $5,000. In terms of the design Mr. Daum feels it could reach a higher level without great expense which is Ms. Hanson’s concern. If Ms. Hanson is going to do ordinary repair and maintenance with similar materials you do not need a review by the DRB. The DRB recommends Ms. Hanson come back to the July meeting with a drawing that is to scale and has more information on it.
DISCUSSION

BallardVale Fire Station
At the BVHDC meeting on June 5th the Commission approved the drawings for the new fire station. They all agreed to form a small working committee to review all the details which will be on going this summer.

Sign By-Law
Ms. Renton spoke with Ms. Constantine who has reconnected with Town Officials following Town Meeting. Ms. Constantine was before the Zoning Board Study Committee to talk about illumination.

Minutes
Meeting of May 8, 2019
Mr. Daum motioned to accept the minutes with changes discussed.
Ms. Renton seconded the motion.
Vote: Unanimous (5-0)

Adjournment
There being no further business, the meeting of the Design Review Board for June 12, 2019 was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gina Decareau