Village of Springville Historic Preservation Commission

May 10, 2021 7:00 pm

A meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission of the Village of Springville was held as a ZOOM Meeting at the above date and time. Present were:

Chairman: Bill Skura-Absent

Vice Chairman: John Baronich

Members: Helen Brogan

Don Orton

Eric Tuberdyke-Alternate

Also present: Reed Brayman

Clair Wrazin
Nick Alexander
Boyd Wible
Tom Roberts
Jenica Knight
Neal Steward

Clerk: Jennifer Blumenstein

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Vice Chairman Baronich called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

Vice Chairman Baronich asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the April 12, 2021 meeting.

Don Orton made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Helen Brogan. All in favor, none opposed.

The first Certificate of Appropriateness came from Clair Wrazin with the Springville Center for the Arts. The Springville Center for the Arts is looking to paint a Mural on the Verizon Box in the Pocket Park. They have already received verbal approval from Verizon to paint the box which is on the SCA property. Verizon said this was common practice with other property owners that have the Verizon Box. The Mural will be completed by either volunteers, interns or Clair Wrazin.

After some discussion, Dave Batterson made the motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness as presented seconded by Don Orton. All in favor, none opposed.

The second Certificate of Appropriateness came from Clair Wrazin with the Springville Center for the Arts. The SCA is looking for approval to paint additional Fiddles on the sidewalks on Mechanic St., Factory St. and Franklin St. They would like to add blue and green Fiddles along with musical notes throughout the sidewalks in those areas.

Motion was made by Dave Batterson to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness as presented. Seconded by Helen Brogan. All in favor, none opposed.

Clair Wrazin then provided a slideshow to introduce the Board to the two (2) new Interns that will be working with the SCA during the summer. Nghi To and Alisia Glasier will be working on Murals on three (3) properties in the Village. The sites that they would like to see painted are the back wall at Springville Hardware, the back wall of Springville Pharmacy and the creek embankment on N. Buffalo Street. They will bring designs before the Board once they are ready for approval.

An Amendment to an Existing Certificate of Appropriateness came from Boyd Wible and Nick Alexander with Dalayla Cricket Farm. They came before the Board to give an update on the project which came before the Board back on 2/25/2020. Boyd mentioned that they have been working very hard and hope to open in time for the Art Crawl on June 5, 2021. Boyd stated that most of the interior work has been completed and they are concentrating on the exterior of the building and the Green Space.

One of the changes that they would like to make is to eliminate the use of stone facade on the bottom 3ft. of the building and just use the siding on the entire building.

Motion was made by Don Orton to approve the amendment to the Certificate of Appropriateness to eliminate the stone. Seconded by Dave Batterson. All in favor, none opposed.

The second Amendment to the Existing Certificate of Appropriateness that Boyd and Nick would like to make is the addition of a Shed on the East Side of the property. The Shed would be a non-permanent structure placed on stone. Boyd said he knows that he will still need approval from the Code Enforcement Officer Mike Kaleta before this can place the Shed.

Motion was made by Dave Batterson to approve the amendment to the Certificate of Appropriateness to erect a Shed as presented. Seconded by Helen Brogan. All in favor, none opposed.

Tom Roberts, Jenica Knight and Neal Steward from 18 E. Main Street came before the Board to give an update on the work being done at the Brewery. The first thing that will change is the name. The Great Race Brewery will now be called Springville Brewing. They will still keep the theme of the Great Race within the brewery.

They informed the Board that they had run into some financial difficulties due to Covid-19 and unexpected expenses to get the Brewery up and running. They are working on selling some property to help finance the Brewery and should be staring siding this week coming up. They say a lot of the interior work has been completed and expect to be making some significant progress within the next couple of months.

Helen Brogan questions some of the work that has been completed. The Board looked at the plans which were provided back on 5/17/2019. They have concerns that the work being done does not coincide with what was presented and approved at that time.

Tom Roberts assured that they are going to comply with the Historic Preservation Board on what materials will be used and the final outcome of the project.

The Board asked that Tom, Jenica and Neal return to the next scheduled meeting on June 14, 2021 with updates on the progress and more information on what materials are going to be used. Tom said he would be there.

Reed Brayman wanted to let the Board know about a University of Buffalo study that was done by students for a project. They came and walked the Village of Springville with the Mayor and others back in March of 2021. The students presented ideas and recommendations on 5/11/2021 via a Webinar. Reed just wanted to give some highlights of the presentation so the Board would be informed.

Don Orton made the motion to adjourn at 8:30pm, seconded by Dave Batterson. All in favor, none opposed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Blumenstein