

Borough of Carlisle
Historical and Architectural Review Board
Meeting Minutes – July 3, 2023

Members present: J. Abom, J. Hovetter, B. Chamberlin, E. Hazel, A. DeBlasio and J. Holley

Staff Members present: Jared Woolston

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Consent Agenda:

1. Table approval of May 30, 2023 meeting minutes.

Regular Agenda:

1. To take from the table a request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for Wanda Hill of 159 South Bedford Street to replace a roof, gutters and downspouts.

Consensus: The Board, upon motion by J. Abom and second by E. Hazel unanimously approved this request.

2. A request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for a Certificate of Appropriateness for Ebersole & McCorkel REI, LLC of 159 South Hanover Street to demolish a portion of a building by removing a roof structure.

J. Hovetter expressed concerns with the preservation of the brick façade and the guidelines for cleaning the brick.

J. Abom asked when is something “historic”? Is something constructed in the 60’s or 70’s or even 80’s now “historic”? J. Hovetter referred to HARB Guideline #2 which states “all buildings must be recognized as a product of their own time. Alterations that have no historical basis are not permitted”. J. Hovetter feels that we work with what we have or take it back to the renovation that has a historical basis and that to totally delete this architectural feature as if it never existed, puts the Board in a tricky position from a precedence standpoint and it goes counter to the existing guidelines that the Board is to be upholding.

Consensus: The Board, upon motion by J. Abom and second by E. Hazel, to recommended approval of this request. On a 2-3 vote, this motion did not carry with J. Hovetter, B. Chamberlin and A. DeBlasio voting no. J. Hovetter stated that he would

support removal of the existing porch roof only if it included the installation of a roof that has historical and architectural features that is in keeping with the HARB guidelines

3. A request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for 135 Associates LLC of 135 North Hanover Street to replace 3rd floor windows with aluminum frame windows and replace existing wood window trim in-kind.

Consensus: The Board, upon motion by B. Chamberlin and second by A. DeBlasio unanimously approved this request.

4. A request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for Caprice Properties of 19-23 West High Street to lower the elevation of the recently approved storefront windows by 16 inches and replace existing gutter and downspouts.

Consensus: The Board, upon motion by E. Hazel and second by J. Abom unanimously approved this request.

5. A request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for Slezak Real Estate LLC of 140 Church Avenue to replace a metal roof in-kind.

Consensus: The Board, upon motion by J. Abom and second by B. Chamberlin, unanimously recommended approval of this request.

6. A request for a Certificate of Appropriateness for H & A Professional LLC of 201 North Hanover Street to install new metal wall signs in the same size and orientation as the existing metal wall signs.

Consensus: The Board, upon motion by B. Chamberlin and second by J. Abom, unanimously recommended approval of this request.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jared Woolston