



Town of Fairfield
FAIRFIELD HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
MINUTES
July 8, 2021

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Virtual hearings were held through WebEx beginning at 4:15 p.m. Notice of this Hearing was published in the Friday, June 25, 2021, edition of the *Fairfield Citizen*.

Call to Order: Chairman Klyver called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

Designation of Voting Alternates: James Bohan, George Clark, Alyssa Stack

Present: Arthur Gravanis, Adam Klyver, Rosina Negron, Daryn Reyman-Lock

Absent: Christopher Shea

Public Hearings:

1. Pierre & Aude Ferrague, 418 Harbor Road, CT 06890. For property located at 418 Harbor Road, Southport, CT 06890.
 - a) New pool fencing with evergreen screening and gate
 - b) Generator with evergreen screening
 - c) Pool equipment with evergreen screening

Jack Franzen described the empire French house style. The survey and layout was viewed and discussed. He said the lot is narrow and deep and was subdivided. The pool isn't visible from public way. The owners were issued a permit without consideration that the pool fence and equipment would be visible from a public way. He explained the fencing scheme and pool mechanics. They propose to install a deer fence where the current fence isn't enclosed and also a metal fence with a double gate with shrubs on both sides. The pool equipment would be screened on all four sides. The proposed generator would be shrubbed in with evergreens on all four sides. He shared specs and cuts on generator and fence. The A/C units have been removed.

Public comment – none.

The hearing closed at 4:25 p.m.

Item #2 representatives were not present yet, taken after Item #4.

3. Bonnie Paige, 72 Rose Hill Road, Southport, CT 06890. For property located at 72 Rose Hill Road, Southport, CT 06890.
 - a) Changes to previously approved doors
 - b) Changes to previously approved fences

Architect Paulo said the house is currently under construction and proposed simple modifications to original approval. They would like to change the original front, back, side and garage doors that were previously approved. They feel the single glass pane is too contemporary and propose a four-panel pane. They would like to change the fence to 6" pickets due to the 4" material unavailability and add a double gate. Locations, drawings and photos were shared.

Public comment – none.

The hearing closed at 4:40 p.m.

4. Christopher Ryan, 164 Old Post Road, Fairfield, CT 06824. For property located at 164 Old Post Road, Fairfield, CT 06824.
 - a) Replace existing picket fence with 4' high 2x2 picket
 - b) Replace existing gates with 4' high 2x2 picket

Homeowner Chris Ryan showed the lot plan and photos of existing fence location. The new fence is all cedar wood and has been installed. The prior fence materials are unavailable therefore chose 2x2 similar to neighbors. Posts are matching.

Public comment – none.

The hearing closed at 4:45 p.m.

2. Kinder Properties, LLC, 656 Harbor Road, Southport, CT 06890. For property located at 656 Harbor Road, Southport, CT 06890.

a) New sign

Agent Victoria Fingelly would like to place sign above front door and showed lettering example.

Public comment – none.

The hearing closed at 4:50 p.m.

5. Christopher Wright & Jeannie Walker, 139 Main Street, Southport, CT 06890. For property located at 139 Main Street, Southport, CT 06890.

a) New Generator

Jeannie Walker said the generator won't be visible from the public way.

Public comment – none.

The hearing closed at 4:53 p.m.

6. Preeti & Vikram Butani, 480 Old Post Road, Fairfield, CT 06824. For property located at 480 Old Post Road, Fairfield, CT 06824.

a) Remove existing chain link fence and replace with cedar fence

b) Remove existing chain link fence and replace with white picket fence

Architect Bruce Eckerson shared site plan, photos and dimensions. Chain link fence has been removed along eastern side of property and propose to replace with a solid cedar fence. In the front they propose to remove existing lower privacy board fence and replace with white picket fence which will match the one along the Post Road. They propose to remove these sections and replace with white picket to keep it more consistent. They will also remove the arbor.

Public comment – Mr. Klyver read an opposing letter from Dr. Henry Backe of 388 Old Post Road.

The hearing closed at 5:10 p.m.

7. Brandon Conovitz, 225 Old South Road, Southport, CT 06890. For property located at 225 Old South Road, Southport, CT 06890.

a) Remove portion of gravel driveway

b) Install asphalt in courtyard

Landscape Architect Kristina Gates said they made a revision to the application previously approved in April and shared the revised site plan. They had previously proposed gravel and now asked to remove it and replace with asphalt. Gravel will remain in the front and in all paths, only replacing in interior courtyard. Reclaimed granite will remain. Shared photos of similar work. Asphalt would be hidden by shrubs, only a small sliver is visible from the road.

Public comment – none.

The hearing closed at 5:17 p.m.

Consideration of Public Hearing Item 1-7 above

1. Pierre & Aude Ferrague, 418 Harbor Road, CT 06890. For property located at 418 Harbor Road, Southport, CT 06890.

Commissioner Gravanis motioned to approve as presented. Commissioner Negron seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 5-0. (Bohan, Gravanis, Klyver, Negron, Reyman-Lock in favor).

2. Kinder Properties, LLC, 656 Harbor Road, Southport, CT 06890. For property located at 656 Harbor Road, Southport, CT 06890.

Commissioner Clark motioned to approve as presented. Commissioner Negron seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 5-0. (Clark, Gravanis, Klyver, Negron, Reyman-Lock in favor).

3. Bonnie Paige, 72 Rose Hill Road, Southport, CT 06890. For property located at 72 Rose Hill Road, Southport, CT 06890.

Commissioner Gravanis motioned to approve as presented. Commissioner Stack seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 5-0. (Gravanis, Klyver, Negron, Reyman-Lock, Stack in favor).

4. Christopher Ryan, 164 Old Post Road, Fairfield, CT 06824. For property located at 164 Old Post Road, Fairfield, CT 06824.

Commissioner Negron motioned to approve as presented. Commissioner Reyman-Lock seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 5-0. (Bohan, Gravanis, Klyver, Negron, Reyman-Lock in favor).

5. Christopher Wright & Jeannie Walker, 139 Main Street, Southport, CT 06890. For property located at 139 Main Street, Southport, CT 06890.

Commissioner Negron motioned to approve as presented. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 5-0. (Clark, Gravanis, Klyver, Negron, Reyman-Lock in favor).

6. Preeti & Vikram Butani, 480 Old Post Road, Fairfield, CT 06824. For property located at 480 Old Post Road, Fairfield, CT 06824.

Commissioner Gravanis motioned to approve a and b as presented. Commissioner Stack seconded the motion.

The Commission had further discussion on the fence and reviewed photos.

Commissioner Gravanis withdrew his motion.

Commissioner Negron motioned to approve a and b with the stipulation that the white picket fence match the Old Post Road picket fence and extend to the back of the building where the taller picket fence exists. Commissioner Gravanis seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 5-0. (Gravanis, Klyver, Negron, Reyman-Lock, Stack in favor).

7. Brandon Conovitz, 225 Old South Road, Southport, CT 06890. For property located at 225 Old South Road, Southport, CT 06890.

Commissioner Bohan motioned to approve as submitted. Commissioner Gravanis seconded the motion which carried unanimously, 5-0. (Bohan, Gravanis, Klyver, Negron, Reyman-Lock in favor).

Approve Minutes: 06-10-21 (Klyver, Bohan, Reyman-Lock, Stack, Shea, Gravanis)

Commissioner Gravanis motioned to approve the minutes which were seconded and carried unanimously, 5-0. (Bohan, Klyver, Gravanis, Reyman-Lock, Stack in favor).

Chairman's Report

Repairs:

1. 661 Old Post Road: Repair/replace rotted sections of picket fence "in kind". Replace rotted lower boards on red shed "in kind".
2. 249 Beach Road: Repoint chimney & replace flashing "in kind". Replace rotted shingles "in kind".

Violations: None.

Old Business:

1. Discussion on handbook revisions – Dr. Reyman-Lock will coordinate with Mr. Klyver the subcommittee meeting.

New Business: none.

Adjourn: *Commissioner Reyman-Lock motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:44 p.m. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion which carried unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Tesei
Recording Secretary