DOYLESTOWN BOROUGH HISTORIC & ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 28, 2019

The regular meeting of the Doylestown Borough Historic and Architectural Review Board was held at 7:30 PM on Thursday, February 28, 2019 in the Council Chambers, 57 West Court Street, Doylestown PA. Members of the Doylestown Borough Historic and Architectural Review Board in attendance were: Denise Blasdale, Walter Keppler, Heather Walton, Jennifer Jarret, Marie Kovach, Andy Happ, Kim Jacobsen and Karyn Hyland, Director of Building and Zoning.

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. Jacobsen called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

MINUTES APPROVAL: On a motion from Ms. Blasdale, seconded by Mr. Keppler, the January 2019 minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

SIGN APPLICATIONS:

35 East State Street, Donegal Jewelers, business

Alexa White appeared before the Board to request approval of vinyl signage on front windows and door. Ms. Hyland noted there are no issues with the zoning requirements. On a motion from Mr. Happ, and seconded by Mr. Keppler, the Board voted unanimously to recommend a Certificate of Appropriateness for the sign application, subject to final approval from Borough Council.

54 East State Street, Quinoa Peruvian & Mexican Restaurant, business

The applicant was not present. Ms. Hyland noted this application was modified in response to a zoning concern. While the design is the same, the size of the window sign has been scaled down to comply with zoning requirements. Ms. Jacobsen noted the awning appears to have been removed from above the sign, according to the plans submitted. The Committee does not feel prepared to vote at this time without the applicant present and therefore the application was tabled until next month.

BUILDING/REPAIR APPLICATIONS:

261 West Court Street, windows, Hardeep Rai, property owner

Mr. Rai requested approval for replacement of 17 windows, not including the kitchen, as they have been replaced in recent years and the third floor windows, which Mr. Rai will be repairing as needed. The Rais did consider restoration prior to deciding on replacement; however, the cost was much higher and would not necessarily correct the issues regarding safety and efficiency. The new windows would be two-over-two with a 1½" muntin and will be either Pella Architect or Anderson brand. Mr. Happ agreed both manufacturers provide good warranties and quality windows. Responding to a question from Ms. Jacobson, Mr. Rai stated they are undecided at this time on the color of the trim, but agreed to a color other than bright white, in keeping with the colors and style of other homes in the neighborhood.

On a motion from Mr. Happ, seconded by Ms. Walton, the Board voted unanimously to recommend a Certificate of Appropriateness for the building application, subject to final approval from Borough Council.

RENOVATION CONTINUANCE: None.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS: The Board discussed their annual walking tour, and decided on Sunday, May 19 at 2pm, with a rain date of June 2. The group will meet at Ms. Jacobsen's home. An invitation will be extended to the Planning Commission as well as Borough Council members.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business before the Board, on a motion from Ms. Blasdale, seconded by Mr. Keppler, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Kramer Meeting Minutes Secretary