

HISTORIC DISTRICT MEETING
Village of Lancaster

Historic District Meeting held in the Court Room of the Municipal Building, 5423 Broadway, Lancaster, New York - May 13, 1987 at 6:45 P.M.

Present: Chairman James Keysa
Jean Brunea
Joseph Brunet, Jr.
Johnstone Reid, Jr.
Dr. John Bunting

Also present: Dr & Mrs. Robert Kling, Dennis Repka, Attorney for
Dr & Mrs. Kling, Mrs Mijkowski and Paul McAllister -
Contractor

Mr. Repka reported Dr. and Mrs. Kling's feelings - stating it would cost an additional \$1,500 to \$2,000 to insulate and replace scallops. The Klings do not like the looks of years ago and they are not interested in retaining the scallops. They feel the appearance of the house has changed over the years, and would like to put up five inch wide siding.

As Mrs. Stock was unable to attend the meeting tonight, Mr. Reid presented a letter he received from Mrs. Stock to Chairman Keysa. The letter was read by Mr. Keysa and made part of the minutes.

Mr. Reid stated Mrs. Stock had located a supplier of vinyl scallops, which are made in five foot lengths, and three inch siding, samples of which Mr. Reid presented to Dr. and Mrs. Kling for their review. The vinyl scallops and siding are available at Sexton Supply Company who are located in Cheektowaga, New York. Mr. Keysa also stated wooden shakes and rounded shingle replacement are available through Restoration Works, 810 Main Street, Buffalo, New York.

Mr. Repka stated the Klings feel the Historic District members are dictating the conditions that must be followed by members who live in the district.

Mr. Repka requested a five minute recess to confer with his clients.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 and reconvened at 7:10 P.M.

Attorney Repka stated Dr. and Mrs. Kling would submit the application for Certificate of Appropriateness as originally submitted.

Motion by Johnstone Reid, seconded by Dr. Bunting to deny the request of Dr. and Mrs. Kling for a Certificate of Appropriateness.

CARRIED

Mrs. Stock submitted a written statement, which is made part of the minutes, to deny the request for a Certificate of Appropriateness.

The second item before the Historic District Board was presented by Gordon Tuscon on behalf of the owners of the Lancaster Pharmacy on West Main Street. Owners would like to put personnel offices on the third floor. The request was discussed with the Code Enforcement Officer and would be denied as at present there is only one means of egress.

Mr. Reid stated he did not believe an exterior means of egress would be objectionable.

Mr. Tuscon stated the purpose of meeting with the Historic District members is to inform them of their future plans for the building.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 and reconvened at 8:00 p.m. to meet with Mayor Hadsall and Trustees Humphrey and Meyer.

Motion by Mr. Reid, seconded by Dr. Bunting to accept the minutes of the May 6, 1987 meeting with clarification of meeting with Dr. and Mrs. Kling and the portion of meeting with Mr. and Mrs. Majkowski.

Mr. Keysa explained to the Mayor and Trustees this evenings meeting with Dr. and Mrs. Kling and unofficial meeting with owner of Lancaster Pharmacy.

A discussion between the Historic District members, Mayor Hadsall, Trustee Humphrey and Trustee Meyer relating to the streets in Area B, retaining Broadway as a two lane highway from St. John Street to Aurora Street, concentrate on good P R, certified letter to homeowners if Historic District is enlarged.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.



Rosemary Babcock
Clerk

May 13, 1987

Lancaster Historic District Board

In session at 6:30 P.M. this evening.

Dear fellow board members: It is with considerable embarrassment that I write you about my inadequate memory. Last week-Wednesday I agreed to meet tonight at our regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. to act upon the certificate of appropriateness for property at 5585 Broadway.

It was at my request we held action on this matter in abeyance pending my investigation of some alternatives to covering the gables with five inch vinyl siding concealing the scallops beneath.

I have done checking and have provided Board Member Buck Reed with my results which he will bring to your attention this evening. Last week I did not have my day book along and failed to remember a long standing evening engagement which prevents my attendance here tonight.

There are two alternatives to covering the scallops. One is a cedar shingle replacement available through RESTORATION WORKS at 810 Main Street, Buffalo. Each box contains 96 pieces to cover 25 sq. ft. at a cost of \$68.40 per box. Mr. Reed has a sample.

The other alternative is a vinyl scallop which comes in five ft. long strips available only in white from distributor in WNY= SEXTON SUPPLY CO. INC. Mr. Reed has a sample which is available only to contractors on a wholesale basis. I provided a \$10 check as a deposit for this sample. The company also gave me literature on the Wolverine Restoration Technologies products.

The Sexton company reps refused to give me prices noting that contractors would be quite upset if he were to give prices to potential customers. Contractors may get prices wholesale.

Samples of the three inch siding as well as trim samples are also available here for your review as well as a contractors. The general

cost differential between a five inch wide siding and a three inch wide siding is: the three inch wide costs about 3 1/2 times more than the 5 inch siding.

I hope this presentation will provide alternate ways to protect and enhance the property in the eyes of the owner while satisfying the guideline demands on the Historic Preservation Board to preserve as far as possible the original unique qualities of the house without economic burdens too great to carry.

Since our Lancaster Historic District is quite young and the only one in WNY outside Buffalo we might give thought to the ways we can all work together to restore and preserve the best the area has to offer both for the aesthetic pleasure it gives to residents themselves as well as the economic increase it will bring to each homeowner by increasing house values.

In conclusion we might take note of the fact that all board members are local home owners in the town-taxpayers all who serve without any remuneration whatsoever except for the satisfaction of knowing that the board serves this community in pride that our area has been considered worthy of having a Historic District.

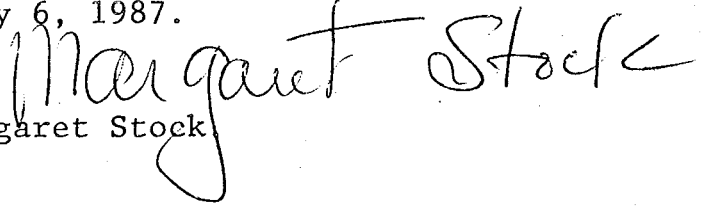
Thank you,

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Mr. Chairman: Should the applicant for a certificate of appropriateness for 5585 Broadway, Laasater not be willing to compromise in the matter of preserving the Queen Anne type " scallops" on the gables by covering the present ones with either wood or vinyl replacements, and should a motion to deny a request for a certificate of appropriateness be brought to the floor for a vote, please consider this statement a VOTE TO DENY, from member Margaret Stock.

Please record this state ment with the vote to deny.

It is a privilege to be located in a Historic District, but perhaps such a district is not for everyone. That should be the choise of the individual homeowner who may seek a dwelling place outside the boundary of a Historic District as this applicant indicated he would do at the meeting of May 6, 1987.


Margaret Stock