CALL TO ORDER 1:35

A meeting of the Historic District Review Board was held in-person on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 2:08 pm.

ATTENDEES

Members in attendance: Mike Sutton (Chair), Grady Woods, (Vice-Chair), Michelle Prentice, Rita Wilson, and Eric Berman.

Staff in attendance: Curt Freese (Community Development Director), Jeremy Tate (Meadors Architecture).

Vice-Chair, Grady Woods, chaired the meeting in the absence of the Chairman, who was late to the meeting and did not arrive until the second agenda item.

REVIEW OF MINUTES 1:50

Ms. Prentice noted on page 3 under application 1607 & 1609 Duke Street that there was an error. The minutes state that Mr. Sutton recused himself, but this was incorrect, and it should state Mr. Woods recused himself. She recommended the deletion of the following sentence which says Mr. Woods, Vice-Chair, took over the meeting.

Ms. Wilson noted on page 4 under Lise Sundrla’s public comment, the word Friedman was misspelled and should be Freedman’s.

Motion: Mr. Berman made a motion to approve the December 13, 2024 minutes with the noted changes; seconded by Ms. Prentice. The motion passed unanimously.

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APPLICATIONS 3:02

A. 1203 Bay Street, PIN R120 004 000 0771 0000, Exterior landscaping
   Applicant: Dan Keefer, agent for 1203 Bay Street, LLC
Mr. Woods recused himself from the Board. Mr. Berman took over chairing the meeting.

The applicant is requesting final approval for exterior landscaping improvements including new fencing.

Curt Freese presented his staff report under the Public Hearing.

Dan Keefer from Witmer Jones Keefer, Ltd. were present as well as the owner.

Public Comment:

Wallace Scarborough resides at 1207 Bay Street, and said he lives next door, it’s the Means Gage House. He said he spoke to the owner of the Cuthbert House about the fence in question and has agreed to hold off on that. He said he put that fence in about 23 years ago. He did a foot setback from property line. The owner said he would do a survey which will be good before any fencing goes up. He then stated they are very pleased with them; they’re doing a great job and will be great neighbors, and we support what they’re trying to do.

Lise Sundrla, Historic Beaufort Foundation (HBF), named the current members on the HBF Preservation Committee Board that were requested from the last HRB meeting. She will provide Ms. Bachety with a list to send the Board. She then stated it was an exciting project, and all the requirements regarding height have been met; the plan is good for the fence and in the back the rear additional landscaping will finish off a part of the property that hasn’t really been finished off over the years. HBF has no issues or concerns with the fire pit. They are supportive of their efforts to improve the property.

Public comment closed.

Motion: Ms. Prentice made a motion to approve as submitted with the absence of the fence. Ms. Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Vice-Chair Grady Woods returned to the Board at this time. Chairman Mike Sutton arrived at the meeting at this time.

B. 808 Hamilton Street, PIN R120 004 000 0562 0000, Alterations

Applicant: Jack Dempsey, owner

The applicants are requesting final approval for a change to the existing garage, i.e., new dormers.

Curt Freese presented the staff report.

The applicant/owner, Jack Dempsey, was present.

Public Comment:

Lise Sundrla, Historic Beaufort Foundation (HBF), stated HBF is happy and very comfortable with the proposal. The applicant and his wife participated in the HTRC meetings. There are no
negative impacts with regard to visual and it meets the code.

Public comment closed.

**Motion:** Mr. Berman made a motion to approve the project with staff recommendations as written and whatever field details need to be hashed out can be adjudicated at the staff level for the trim. Ms. Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

C. **919 Bay Street, PIN R120 004 000 910A 0000,** Signage
   Applicant: Lisa Mykleby

Ms. Wilson recused herself from this project.

The applicant is requesting final approval of interior window signs on the property.

Curt Freese presented the staff report.

The applicant was not present yet.

**Motion:** Mr. Berman made a motion to move this application to the end of the agenda to allow more time for the applicant to appear.

D. **1114 Greene Street, PIN R120 004 000 02710000,** Addition
   Applicant: Johan Niemand, agent for Kathy and Mike Uzzle

The applicant is requesting final approval for a screen porch addition.

Curt Freese presented the staff report.

The applicant Johan Niemand was present. The applicant Kathy Uzzle was present virtually via Zoom.

**Public Comment:**

**Lise Sundrla, Historic Beaufort Foundation (HBF),** stated the Committee felt this was an easy one to review. They were comfortable and felt they followed the Secretary Interior Standards as well as our seven integrities and really compliments the structure. The original structure was the Pruitt’s store. The addition of the porch is proposed in a very sensitive manner.

Public comment closed.

**Motion:** Mr. Berman made a motion to approve with staff conditions as noted. Ms. Prentice seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

E. **919 Bay Street, PIN R120 004 000 910A 0000,** Signage
   Applicant: Lisa Mykleby

The applicant still was not present at the meeting.

**Motion:** Ms. Prentice made a motion to table the project until an applicant can be present. Mr. Berman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
Mr. Freese reminded the Board that the demolitions for 1607 and 1609 Duke Street are coming back to the February 14 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Berman made a motion seconded by Mike Sutton to adjourn. The meeting ended at 2:50 pm.