
**CITY OF MIDDLETOWN
DESIGN REVIEW & PRESERVATION BOARD**

MINUTES

February-9-2010

Present

J. BIANCO, CHAIR
M. MILLS
S. KOVACH
B. SHOEMAKER

Absent

P. EVANS, VICE CHAIR
B. PLUMLEY
M. SALAFIA
B. KRONENBERGER

Also Present

M. WACKERS

Jeff Bianco called the meeting to order

First, 1075 Newfield Street, Citgo Gas Station presented a proposal for a new freestanding sign. Ben Shoemaker motioned to accept as presented. The motion was seconded by Steven Kovach and the motion was approved.

Second, Wesleyan University, presented proposal for the renovation and addition for the Wesleyan Squash Courts. Jeff Bianco stated that this was an important building and the east facing façade risked loosing its integrity with the proposed window changes. Ben Shoemaker motioned to approve the design as submitted with the exception of the third story windows on the east façade changes and that the east façade windows should be considered for preservation rather than replacement. The motion was seconded by Marilyn Mills and the motion was approved.

Third, Wesleyan University presented some proposed garage and shed demolitions at 319 Washington Terrace, 170 College Street, 212 College Street, 55 Lawn Avenue, and 177 Mount Vernon Avenue. Ben Shoemaker motioned to approve the demolitions as proposed. Steven Kovach seconded and the motion was approved.

Fourth, 7 Park Place, Michael Dowley presented a proposal for exterior alteration to a building listed on the historic inventory. The proposed change would be to relocate the rear door for access to the second floor. Ben Shoemaker motioned to approve the application. Steven Kovach seconded and the motion was approved.

Fifth, RKG Associated presented a summary of the Downtown Housing Market Study report. The board briefly discussed the conclusions.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michiel Wackers, Deputy Director of Planning, Conservation & Development