

Village of Athens Planning Board
Athens Village Office, 2 First Street, Athens, NY 12015
Meeting December 18, 2018

Members Present: Margaret Moree, Bill Tompkins, John Miller, and Peggy Snyder, Secretary

Absent: Carrie Feder, Kurt Parde

There was a valid quorum present for voting purposes.

Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm by Chairman Moree

Minutes

Motion was made by Bill Tompkins and seconded by Margaret Moree to approve the November 20, 2018 minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business

Richard Dumas, Lot 341 & 342, Sleepy Hollow Rd, Charles Holtz representing Mr. Dumas presented survey maps for a lot line adjustment. Requesting to remove the middle line and make one new lot to be referred to as Lot 341. Both pieces of property are vacant land. A motion was made by Bill Tompkins and seconded by John Miller to approve the lot line adjustment for Lot 341 & 342 to be known as Lot 341. All in favor, motion carried.

Joshua Lipsman, 30 South Franklin Street, presented with drawings and pictures of the residence and requested to remove a 17' X 8'4" portion of roof to construct an attic level porch/deck/balcony structure that would be 8'9" in height from the attic floor. The entire structure will be within the present footprint of the residence with no overhang. The balcony will have vinyl railing and pressure treated beams either wrapped with the same vinyl as rails r painted. The upper skirt will be 1X8 or 1X12 plain PVC, the corbels will be spaced one foot apart and mimic the existing corbels, the siding will be fiber cement to mimic existing siding, there will be a new single 32" door with lights similar in design to the French door panels existing on the main floor. The colors used will be Sherwin Williams 7008 Alabaster for the railing, pillars and skirt. The corbels will be Sherwin Williams 2802 Rookwood Red and the siding will be Sherwin Williams 6205 Comfort Gray. All colors are presently used on the residence. There will be one light placed by the attic entry door and Mr. Lipsman will return with a sample of the light to be used. The board requested that the roof rafters removed be saved and Mr. Lipsman agreed. After some discussion a motion was made by Bill Tompkins to approve the application as presented with the roof rafters saved and Mr. Lipsman returning with a light sample, wattage and location to be placed. The motion was seconded by John Miller, all in favor motion carried.

Several neighboring residents raised questions in regards to Mr. Lipsman's tenant and the use of the garage that is being leased. One of the neighbors complained of a neon light that is left on at night and shines into his home. Complaints of many cars parked along Rt. 385 being used as a mobile repair lot. The cars and flatbed trucks with autos on them are being parked past Mr. Lipsman's property line. Chairman Moree stated that this is an issue for Code Enforcement, however, she will report this issue to the appropriate authorities. Mr. Lipsman stated that he was not aware of the neighbor's complaints and he will address this issue with the tenant.

Other Business

A resident from 7 Montgomery Street came to the meeting seeking advice on authorities to contact to compel her neighbor to stop feeding wild animals in her yard. She stated that the neighbor has 15 feeders for deer,

raccoons and other forms of wildlife. Chairman Moree stated she will contact the county officials to find the proper redress for her complaint and notify her of the findings.

Training hours for 2018 were reviewed and found that according to New York State law Carrie Feder has 1 hour to be carried over into 2019, Kurt Parde has 4 hours to be carried over and Margaret Moree has 2 hours to be carried over. These hours will be placed on the training spreadsheet for 2019.

The next Planning Board meeting will be held on Tuesday January 15, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bill Tompkins and seconded by John Miller. Meeting adjourned by Chairman Moree at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Snyder
Secretary, Village of Athens Planning Board