

**VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD
DRAFT MINUTES
June 22, 2016**

PRESENT: Jane Soule, Randy Mayhew, Benjamin Pauly, Keri Cole
ABSENT: Jim Mills
ALSO PRESENT: Jack Anderson, Michael Brands

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Old Business **None**

B. New Business

1. V-3233-16 **Blue Horse Inn**

The application is for Design Review Approval to place a metal chimney on East elevation of Inn. The property is located at 3 Church Street and is zoned Inn / Design Review.

The Design Review Board continued the application to the July 13, 2016 meeting.

2. V-3249-16 **County Court House**

The application is for Design Review Approval to install a Mitsubishi Air Condition Unit on rear exterior of building. The property is located at 12 The Green and is zoned Community / Design Review.

Mr. Anderson, Assistant Judge, presented the application.

The VDRB reviewed photographs of the building facade with arborvitae screening.

The existing ground mounted AC units serve the second floor of the court house. The proposed wall mounted unit would cool the first floor.

The 53" tall x 13" deep x 41" wide wall-mounted unit would be placed on the south facing wall on the east side of the building. The unit would be painted brick red to match the existing brick wall.

The Design Review Board recommended that the AC unit be kept above the granite sill to assure it meshes well with the brick wall.

An existing 5'-6' foot tall hedge screens the existing AC units and would serve to screen the proposed wall mounted unit.

This portion of the building creates a corner area which serves to screen the units well.

The northernmost arborvitae shrub would be replaced with a 5' tall one to match existing, as it is much shorter than the others.

All duct work would be hidden from view as it would enter directly into the building behind the wall unit.

The VDRB read the Design Review Board's recommendation to approve the application with the suggestion noted above to have the A/C unit mounted above the granite sill.

The VDRB noted since the AC unit is well screened, in a corner of the building and behind a 6' tall hedge and that painting the unit could be an option.

Testimony was voted close.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Administrative Officer's Report

The report was issued and discussed.

IV. DELIBERATIONS

A. V-3233-16 Blue Horse Inn Continued

B. V-3249-16 Windsor County Courthouse

After discussion the following findings of fact were established:

1. The VDRB reviewed photographs of the building facade with arborvitae screening.
2. The existing ground mounted AC units serve the second floor of the court house. The proposed wall mounted unit would cool the first floor.
3. The 53" tall x 13" deep x 41" wide wall-mounted unit would be placed on the south facing wall on the east side of the building. The unit would be painted brick red to match the existing brick wall.
4. The unit has a 54 decibel noise level, measured directly at the unit, well under the regulation's 70 decibel limit.
5. The Design Review Board recommended that the AC unit be kept above the granite sill to assure it meshes well with the brick wall.

6. An existing 5'-6' foot tall hedge screens the existing AC units and would serve to screen the proposed wall mounted unit.
7. This portion of the building creates a corner area which serves to screen the units well.
8. The northernmost arborvitae shrub would be replaced with a 5' tall one to match existing, as it is much shorter than the others.
9. All duct work would be hidden from view as it would enter directly into the building behind the wall unit.
10. The VDRB read the Design Review Board's recommendation to approve the application with the suggestion noted above to have the A/C unit mounted above the granite sill.
11. The VDRB noted since the AC unit is well screened, in a corner of the building and behind a 6' tall hedge and that painting the unit could be an option.

After additional discussion, Mr. Mayhew moved with a second by Ms. Cole to approve the application as presented. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The June 8, 2016 minutes were approved as submitted.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael E. Brands, AICP
Town/Village Planner