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NORTH COVE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING
MAY 7, 1998

The Public Hearing of the North Cove Historic District Commission was called to order by the Chairperson, Barbara Aubin at 7:32pm. Clerk, Donna D. DiBella, read the minutes of the spring meeting held on April 16. The minutes were accepted as read.

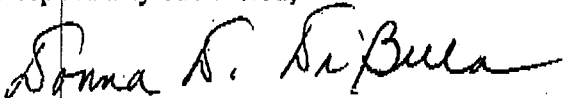
Dinah Lefkowitz presented the first order of business. The Application for Certificate of Appropriateness submitted by Dinah and Stephen Lefkowitz to replace that portion of the picket fence, which presently stands between the south side of their property line and the Burt lot. It would be 80feet in length and 5feet high. It would match the shadow board fence erected by the Burts and would have a lattice topper. Posts would be 4"x4" with 2"x3" backrails, and 1"x4" pickets spaced 2" apart. The material to be used would be Northern White Cedar. Dinah Lefkowitz answered questions from the members.

Andrea D. Harney and Steve Harney presented the second order of business for the erection of a 4foot fence to surround their swimming pool. The fence would be of two designs. The north or front facing North Cove Road and west along the side of the Harney home would be 2 7/8" picket fencing while along Captain's Walk and along the south and east side of the property the fencing would be V-board, solid shadow board. Steve Harney stated the fence would be placed 11 or 12 feet from Captain's Walk and it would run along the same line of the stone wall in front of their property. Barbara Aubin read a letter of concern written and signed on behalf of a number of neighbors. The two items stressed in the letter were: the elevation of the land (front vs. rear) and the question of why in the first place an Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the pool was never submitted eliminating a public hearing. When asked the reason for the two different fences, Andrea Harney stated she wanted privacy since she feels like she is "living in a fish bowl." Steve Harney stated that the equipment (filter, etc) for the pool will be placed inside the fencing and the reason for such a large area of fencing in relation to the size of the pool is for the gardens the Harney's plan to plant (the pool is approximately 500 square feet and the fenced in area is approximately 4000 square feet). An attorney for two of the neighbors commented on the height of the rear elevation. It was noted that the rear elevation is approximately two feet higher than the front. A 4 foot fence on the south side would really be 6 feet in height. It was stated however, that the viewing rights of the neighbors behind the Harney's are not an issue for the Commission. In ending, the Attorney made it perfectly clear that the Klett's and the LaRivera's (his clients) were not against the pool or the 4 foot fence, but concerned over the rear elevation. Commission members were concerned what one would see from North Cove Road when looking through the pickets. Several neighbors suggested they would like to see the actual materials to be used. It was also noted that the rendering was not one that showed the topography of the property. The public hearing was adjourned at 8:50pm.

At 8:51, a special meeting was called to order to act on the above issues. A motion was made, seconded and passed to look more closely and render a decision on the Lefkowitz

fence. It was noted that Burt's never filed an Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the fence that the Lefkowitz's wish to continue. A motion was made, seconded and passed to walk the Harney property and determine the effects of the elevation as it applies to the view from North Cove Road and determine if the design is historically correct. The special meeting was adjourned at 9:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna D. DiBella
Clerk