

**HISTORICAL ARCHITECTURE REVIEW BOARD  
BELLEFONTE BOROUGH  
MEETING MINUTES**

**June 12, 2018 - 8:30 a.m.  
236 West Lamb Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823  
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**CALL TO ORDER:**

The June 12, 2018 regular meeting of the Bellefonte Borough Historical Architecture Review Board (HARB) was called to order by Mr. McGinley at the Bellefonte Borough Municipal Building at 8:30 a. m.

**ROLL CALL:**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sam McGinley, Chair  
Megan Tooker, Vice Chair  
Maria Day  
Pat Long  
Robert Lingenfelter  
Walt Schneider

**EXCUSED:** Mack Mahan  
Gay Dunne

**STAFF MEMBERS:** Kathy Stanton, Administrative Assistant

**GUESTS:** Elizabeth Soroka  
John Boris  
Lori Haines

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**ADDITIONS /CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

Verizon Building

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

Mr. McGinley abstained from any vote on the Brockerhoff Building as a Board member.  
Ms. Long also abstained herself from voting as a member of the Housing Authority.

**DECLARATION OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION:**

None.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

**Mr. Schneider moved to approve the Minutes of the May 22, 2018 HARB Meeting, as amended;  
Ms. Long seconded the motion;  
Motion carried.**

**PROJECT REVIEW AND PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

**INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**349 E. Curtin Street – Fence**

Property owner would like to replace an old chain link fence that is in the back yard at 349 E. Curtin. They have four children and a dog, and they would like to replace the fence. It is missing a lot of links and there is only really posts that were left behind. She would like to replace it with a four-foot living fence made out of wood, 4x4 and centered every ten feet and held together with gilded wire that does not rust. The top and bottom posts are 2x4. You cannot see it from the alleyway. The neighbors on both sides are in favor of the fence.

**Mr. Schneider moved to approve as presented;  
Ms. Long seconded the motion;**

Final finish will be natural wood look.

**Motion carried.**

This will go to Borough Council on June 18, 2018.

**101 S. Allegheny Street – Refuse Storage**

Brockershoff House would like to have a refuse storage area. Lori Haines, director of the Centre County Housing Authority came before HARB to discuss the project. The new commercial lease at State Burger needs a refuse storage area. It is a major way through Bellefonte and is unsightly. Materials were provided to HARB. Leisure Season Co. will be supplying the trash shed. Everything will now be concealed. The three sheds will be painted to match the exterior of the Brockershoff Building.

**Mr. Schneider moved to approve the refuse storage sheds with stain as opposed to paint;  
Ms. Tooker seconded the motion.**

Ms. Tooker stated that is already stained. She did not know what would happen if they would paint over the protective coating. They have not been ordered yet. Mr. Schneider did not think painting was a good idea because it will eventually begin to chip. He suggested contacting the company to see if the protective coating that was applied could have stain applied on it and if it would need sanding. A natural cedar color was proposed. Ms. Long would rather see the natural color than the cans that are sitting at the site now. She has no problem with the natural color that it shown on the material.

Mr. Lingenfelter stated that the cedar would make it stand out. It is hard to see what it actually is from the picture sample. He likes the idea of staining it to match the maroon and black. That may be difficult, but he thinks the cedar stands out. HARB members concurred with the black color thinking that it will just blend in. Mr. Schneider disagreed with the black. He offered that it will show dirt. He liked the natural wood color.

Mr. McGinley inquired about putting in the natural wood and if it does not work, redoing the sheds in a different shade. Mr. Schneider also suggested dark green. Ms. Tooker talked about the old coal bins being converted to trash bins. Ms. Day stated that she felt that HARB is considering the options as presented – there may be something else out there.

Mr. Schneider suggested having someone local build just one. Mr. McGinley stated that the specs on the sheds states the color is medium brown. He suggested that perhaps there were other colors available. Mr. Schneider also suggested trying Prison Industries as they build a lot of things in the area, like the picnic tables at the rest stops. He stated that the prices are low, and they are all built by Rockview prisoners.

Ms. Tooker liked the look of the wood of the sample presented.

**Mr. Schneider amended his motion:**

**Mr. Schneider moved to allow staff to work with the details of the color and the wood for this project;**  
**Ms. Tooker seconded the motion;**  
**Motion carried with two abstaining members.**

Ms. Wright will forward the final decision on to HARB for final thoughts.

**Verizon Building**

Pictures were presented to HARB. The window trim work has been done. HARB members were consulted relative to the painting. If HARB chooses to paint it, they will do that. HARB members liked the pictures and liked the black color. It looked better than expected.

**Mr. Schneider moved to accept the louver in front as presented;**  
**Ms. Day seconded the motion;**  
**Motion carried.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With no other business to come before HARB,

**Mr. Schneider moved to adjourn;  
Ms. Day seconded the motion;  
Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:57 a.m.