

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

**March 23, 2021 - 8:30 a.m.  
236 West Lamb Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823  
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**CALL TO ORDER:**

The March 23, 2021 regular meeting of the Bellefonte Borough Historical Architecture Review Board (HARB) was called to order by Ms. Gina Thompson at 8:32 a.m. Members met *virtually* via Zoom.

**ROLL CALL:**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Robert Wagner  
Maria Day  
Gay Dunne  
Nichole Mendinsky  
Megan Tooker  
Phil Ruth

**EXCUSED:** Sam McGinley  
Pat Long

**STAFF MEMBERS:** Ralph Stewart, Borough Manager  
Gina Thompson, HARB Administrator

**Guests:** Joanne Tosti-Vasey  
Adela Germano  
Ashley Stark

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HARB members welcomed new member Mr. Phil Ruth

**ADDITIONS /CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:** None.

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** None.

**DECLARATION OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION:** None.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

Ms. Day moved to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2021 HARB meeting.

Ms. Tooker seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.

## **PROJECT REVIEW AND PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

### **221 North Allegheny Street**

Adela Germano appeared before HARB for roof replacement, exterior painting, driveway in the backyard and a fence at 221 North Allegheny Street. The history of the home was discussed briefly. She would like to do some paint change at the exterior of the building replacing the yellow with a khaki from Benjamin Moore. She would like to replace the roof with asphalt shingles in black. The garage in the back has red shingles and that roof would match the rest of the home. Ms. Germano proposed a wooden shadowbox fence in the back to obscure the view of the Verizon building. She is getting bids for a driveway in the rear in gravel.

Discussion was held on the paint scheme. The dormer was discussed. The brick on the home was discussed.

Ms. Tooker moved to approve the painting with the dormer being approved via administrative approval.

Ms. Dunne seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.

Roof was discussed for approval. Gutters will remain the same color with replacements of any worn gutters in kind.

Ms. Tooker moved to approve the roof replacement with black architectural asphalt shingles.

Ms. Day seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.

Ms. Tooker moved to approve a gravel driveway as shown in the sketch at the March 23, 2021 HARB meeting.

Ms. Day seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.

Ms. Tooker moved to approve the natural colored pressured treated, sealed wooden fencing as presented.

Ms. Dunne seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.

### **428 North Spring Street**

This project is proposed to replace gutters and install a fence. Ashley Stark presented the project to HARB members. She proposed a fence for privacy on her back patio and to improve the view. She would like the fence to run from her back patio to about halfway to the yard where there is a full tree. The fence will be a white vinyl that she can power wash and that would also match the trim and accents on the house. The fence would be five feet in height running in seven-foot panels.

Ms. Day moved to deny the vinyl fencing due to the material.  
Ms. Tooker seconded the motion.

Mr. Stewart inquired about replacement the choice with a painted wood fence. The property owner could not afford a wood fence and will make do. Mr. Stewart stated that the property owner could appeal to Council.

The property owner will also replace the gutters on her home. They are currently half round and the property owner would like to replace with a K-style if possible. She is missing gutters and the gutters currently on the house are hung too low. The gutters on the home are rusted through.

Ms. Day moved to approve the gutters replaced in kind with half round metal gutters with round or rosette downspouts to match the soffit and fascia color.

Ms. Tooker seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.

### **218 North Spring Street**

Ms. Thompson showed the Prendergast finished project at the home. The floorboard replacement turned into a bigger project and there may have been a miscommunication regarding in-kind replacement. The work took place last year. Ms. Day commented on the plywood blue skirt board.

Ms. Day moved to recommended to retroactively approve the project with the exception of the skirting board, which should be replaced with a bead board panel or tongue and groove material. The replacement shall be administratively approved.

Ms. Dunne seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL**

#### **127 East High Street**

HARB asked that the new porch board be replaced with tongue and groove. The applicant complied and the material was administratively approved.

**INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:** Nothing presented.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Historical Ordinance will be discussed in the future.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Online training courses were sent to HARB members by Mr. Stewart.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no other business to come before HARB,

Ms. Tooker moved to adjourn.  
Ms. Dunne seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:48 a.m.