

Town of Newburgh  
Historic Preservation Commission  
September 14, 2021  
Special Meeting Held via Zoom

**Members Present:**

Jim Renne, Heather Cutrell, Troy Wells, David Wills, Jeff Cox

**Advisory Members Present:**

Candice Croix and Sue Morrison

**Administrative Present:**

Stacie Krieger, Town Council Liaison; Tavi Wydicks, Zoning Administrator

**Members & Administrative Absent:**

Brent Grafe, Don Shanks; Chris Wischer, Town Attorney

**Citizens Present:**

Jacque Schen, 670 E. Jennings

Jonathan Lamar, LA&D

**New Business:**

*COA Application – 670 E. Jennings Street*

Tavi Wydicks provided a staff report and shared her screen to display the building plans with the Commission. Ms. Wydicks stated that the house faces Overlook Court and the addition will be at the rear of the property on the Jennings Street side. Ms. Wydicks stated that per the contractor all materials will be like for like with the materials on the existing structure. Ms. Wydicks stated that the current siding is vinyl and the siding on the addition would also be vinyl. Stacie Krieger asked if the property has a historic rating and Ms. Wydicks responded and stated that the property has a Notable rating and is a Scattered Site. Jonathan Lamar stated that the addition is a master suite, with a laundry area, small kitchen, and three car garage. Mr. Lamar stated that all materials would be like for like and the intent is to create an addition that compliments the existing structure. David Wills stated that the only issue he sees is the vinyl siding. Ms. Wydicks stated that because the existing structure has vinyl siding, the use of vinyl siding on the addition would be considered like for like. Jim Renne stated that per our guidelines, like for like materials are acceptable. Troy Wells stated that the additional would be barely visible from Overlook Court, and Ms. Wydicks stated that the section of Jennings Street behind the house is a private drive and would have limited traffic. Jeff Cox and Troy Wells both stated that they have no issue with the addition. Mr. Wills stated that his only concern is that allowing vinyl could set a precedent. Mr. Renne explained to Mrs. Schen that the use of vinyl siding is strongly discouraged in the guidelines. Ms. Wydicks stated the Mrs. Schen owned the property before it was included as a Scattered Site, which means the vinyl was existing prior to inclusion as a historic rated property. Mr. Renne stated that in the future the Commission could explain that the vinyl was only approved because the existing structure has vinyl siding. Jeff Cox moved to approve the COA application. Troy Wells seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**Announcements:**

Tavi Wydicks stated that she has another application come in for a historic rated property, 409 W. Main Street, for replacement of an existing porch and that she would for the Commission to review the proposal and determine if the Commission would be comfortable with staff issuing the COA. Ms. Wydicks shared her screen and presented photos showing the existing porch and stated that the application is to remove the damaged/rotting front porch and replace it. Ms. Wydicks stated that the porch will have the same square footage and footprint, but they would like to change from the flat roof to a pitch roof. Ms. Wydicks shared her screen and presented the photo showing the proposed pitch roof. Ms. Wydicks stated that material wise it is like for

like and the only big change is the roof. The Commission discussed the application and unanimously agreed that they approve staff issuing the COA.

**Petitions and Comments from Citizens Present:**

None.

**Adjourn:**

Jim Renne thanked the Commission members for attending the meeting on such short notice and adjourned the meeting.

Approved@Virtual Mtg 10/14/2021  
Chair

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Recorder