MEETING MINUTES OF THE
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMISSION
OF THE VILLAGE OF SPRING GROVE
OCTOBER 21, 2019

Council Chambers, Spring Grove, Illinois, October 21, 2019; a meeting of the Architectural Review Commission was held this date at 6:00 p.m., at the Municipal Centre, 7401 Meyer Road, Chairperson Letzter presiding.

Call to Order. The following Commissioners were present: Chairperson Jeff Letzter; Commissioners Mike Bukolt, Bryan Heinrichs, Kevin Hessenthaler, Kelly Popelka and Mike Starsiak - 6. Absent: Commissioner Carolynn Gaylord -1. Also present for the Village was Bob Walczak, Building & Zoning Officer, and Laura Frumet, Deputy Clerk.


New Business.
Review of addition at 2008 Main Street. Chairperson Letzter recused himself from the meeting to answer questions with his clients, Tammy and Bill Linardos, the owners of The Grove Pub and Grill at 2008 Main Street. Commissioner Popelka chaired the rest of the meeting. Aspect Design drew the construction plans for the new catwalk, stairs, siding and men’s and women’s bathrooms. The new pergola is designed by Undercover Outdoors, Inc.

Mr. & Mrs. Linardos have owned 2008 Main Street for about four years and want to make this investment in the downtown area to help make the area more vibrant, inspire new businesses to move into the area, and encourage residents who want to dine-out to stay in town. They explained they currently have a Special Use permit for a 20’ x 30’ tent for outdoor seating, where customers can enjoy meals and live music. There is also a porta potty behind the storage building. They want to build permanent, heated bathrooms under the catwalk and stairs that lead to the second-floor storage area and apartment and rebuild the catwalk and stairs. The remodel will also include new Hardie panels with batten strips to continue along the west side of the building to match the front and east side of the building. The colors will remain the same.

The new pergola will be 28’ x 40’ and will be dark brown to match the trim on the building and will be attached to the building. The pergola will have a louvered roof that can be opened and closed depending on the weather. It will be able to hold a snow load and there is a gutter system built-in for rain. Automatic screens will come down to the brick paver patio which will replace the current crushed gravel patio. There will be two exit doors on the south and west sides so people can still exit the pergola outside if the screens are down. It was questioned why there was no screen on the north side by the women’s bathrooms. They said they will review that area and possibly add some type of screens. There will be an area for seating outside the pergola with a gas firepit. The patio pavers will be heated and extend all the way to the sidewalk. They are still considering the color for the pavers. The south fence will remain with a new gate installed. The trees and arborvitae will remain and new flower pots will be placed in front of the south gate. They hope to get ten-month usage out of the pergola and feel it will dress up the downtown area nicely. Final building plans for the pergola will be submitted and reviewed during the permitting process.
Motion of Recommendation to the Village Board. Commissioner Starsiak moved, seconded by Commissioner Hessenthaler, to recommend approval of the plans as submitted. Roll call vote: Ayes: Bukolt, Heinrichs, Hessenthaler, Popelka and Starsiak – 5. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Public Comment. There was no one in attendance.

Other Business. Several solar panel applications are being reviewed and if they need ARC approval, will be reviewed at the December 2, 2019 ARC meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Frumet, Deputy Clerk