

**Village of Skaneateles
Historical Landmarks Preservation Commission
July 20, 2020**

Present: Chad Rogers, Chairman
Dave Birchenough, Member
Kathie Dyson, Member
Ted Kinder, Member
Lisa Riordan, Member

Dennis Dundon, Clerk to the Boards

Susan Gorman, applicant

Re: Consideration of the application of Nest 58/Susan Gorman for Certificate of Approval to replace the existing black fabric awning with a black-and-white striped awning at the property addressed as 58 East Genesee Street in the Village of Skaneateles.

At 7:01 pm, Chairman Rogers opened the matter of the Gorman application for a replacement awning.

Ms. Gorman explained that the current black awning has some tears in it. It is only the fabric that is experiencing difficulty, not the frame structure which is fine. The current awning has also become somewhat discolored. She is proposing to replace it with an awning using a black & white striped fabric. She asked if the Board has seen the swatch? The members noted that they had received a photocopy of the swatch.

Member Dyson said “this will look good.” Member Riordan said “it will look great.” Member Kinder expressed approval as did Member Birchenough.

Member Riordan, “I move that we approve the application to replace the awning as requested.” The motion was seconded by Member Dyson. Upon the unanimous vote of the members in favor of the motion, the motion was carried 5 – 0.

This matter was concluded at 7:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Re: General Board discussion.

At 7:08 pm, while awaiting Mr. Eggleston for the public hearing, Member Dyson remarked that recently a number of flags were installed in the historic district and left in place for a month. She said that she makes this observation without any political or social commentary intended, just that they were not displayed in accordance with the code, nor any recognition that the HLPC has jurisdiction. Chairman Rogers noted that the zoning code has a section covering flags, and that they are meant to be temporary installations. He suggested that the code might need another look by the Trustees. By no means is he suggesting that the Commission be in the business of approving flags. Member Kinder agreed that was not a reasonable requirement for the Board to undertake. Chairman Rogers read from the code that flags should only be flown during business hours, that they be attached to the façade or dimensional member, and that they not obstruct headroom. Further they may not contain any speech or symbol. Member Riordan said that the HLPC is a protector of the character of the Village. Everyone should be under the same flag rule.

[At 7:19 pm the discussion was interrupted due to the start of the public hearing.]

At 7:39 pm discussion resumed, with Chairman Rogers saying that he would do a first draft for review by the members. Member Kinder noted that there may well be first amendment rights. He added that he would like to hear Special Counsel Galbato's opinion, since the courts have repeatedly upheld the rights of municipalities to employ zoning laws. Member Kinder continued that it is not clear at all how the courts would react to a minor municipal commission claiming that they had the right to oversee absolutely everything on the facades of buildings, "I think it is a stretch." Chairman Rogers agreed that both first amendment or political debate rights may be involved, saying that "he would prefer that any further clarification come through the zoning law." Member Birchenough thought limits on number of days might be helpful. Chairman Rogers thought that timeframes, size of the flag, and the requirement to be brought in at night all could apply. Member Kinder said that he'd prefer a 7 day limit without the requirement for night removal. Member Birchenough said that he thinks he agrees with Ted. Chairman Rogers repeated his willingness to prepare a draft.

Member Birchenough, "I move that we adjourn." Chairman Rogers seconded the motion. Upon the unanimous vote of the members in favor of the motion, the motion was carried 5 – 0, and the meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Bob Eggleston, architect, on behalf of the applicants

*Re: Public Hearing to consider the application of **Larry & Tracy Sala** for Certificate of Approval for improvements on the south façade to install 18.5 LF of lattice panels (max. 80 inches high) along the east side of the exterior stairway between the second and third floors, to install a 10 by 18 foot retractable awning over the second floor deck, and to install a retractable screen on the third floor porch at the property addressed as **46 East Genesee Street (3)** in the Village of Skaneateles.*

At 7:20 pm, Chairman Rogers opened the public hearing in the matter of the Sala application for improvements at 46 East Genesee Street.

Mr. Eggleston explained that the Salas are in the process of purchasing the penthouse condo at 46 East Genesee. They have identified three improvements that would be helpful.

- The first involves an exterior stairway that is immediately next to the neighbor to the east. They are proposing to install lattice screening on top of the half wall that carries the stairway. It will extend to 80 inches in height. It will be installed at full height behind the railings on the second and third floor landings, and will be painted to match the building. It will afford them some privacy even though one can peek through the openings and it allows air to flow through.
- The second is a retractable awning that would extend out 10 feet from the second floor sunroom. It will be provided in a plain color fabric that will be similar in color to the building trims. It will help with sun control on the exposed south side deck.
- The third floor porch is approximately 8 feet deep, with 4 feet of deck beyond. The buyers would like a screened area. They propose to install a retractable screen that can be let down for insect control. There will not be a door in the screen, so it must be raised for access to the porch.

Member Dyson asked if there were any comments or objections from the neighbors. Mr. Eggleston said that the building at #42 has a wall that extends beyond the deck areas to the south.

So effectively this building and the adjacent building to the east have views only to the south and east. This plan is not creating a solid wall. The applicants have had no indication that the neighbors have a problem. Chairman Rogers asked if there had been any direct conversations? Mr. Eggleston said he wasn't sure. Member Riordan said that in visiting the site, she did not see any use of lattice partitions in that area. Mr. Eggleston said he believes there are some small lattice screens. He can't say that there are none. The lattice is not 100% solid. Member Dyson observed it will principally affect #52.

Member Birchenough said that in his opinion, if it is not against code and there are no neighbor issues, it's OK. Chairman Rogers said he agrees, and asked what the materials would be? Mr. Eggleston said that it would be constructed of composite lattice with a wood built frame painted to match. The existing railings will be inside the lattice. Member Dyson asked how the retractable screen would be attached. Mr. Eggleston said it is tied into the soffit. There is an existing beam on the porch. The screen box fits behind the beam and here are tracks on each end.

Chairman Rogers asked for any public comment. There was no one present who desired to speak in favor of or in opposition to the application. **Member Kinder, "I'll make a motion to close the public hearing." Member Dyson seconded the motion. Upon the unanimous vote of the members in favor of the motion, the motion was carried 5 – 0.**

Member Kinder noted that all these improvements are removable. **Member Kinder, "I move that we approve the application as presented in the drawings dated 6.16.20." The motion was seconded by Member Birchenough. Upon the unanimous vote of the members in favor of the motion, the motion was carried 5 – 0.**

This matter was concluded at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Dundon, Clerk to the Boards

Clerk

From: Marty Hubbard <mhubbardconstruction@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 7:28 AM
To: Barbara VanEpps
Cc: Clerk
Subject: FW: Emailing: DASNY letter with attachments.pdf

Please see our latest correspondence on DASNY grants.

Regarding # 13206 we haven't had any success reaching the sponsor as our Senate seat is now vacant. Therefore, could you please forward to the contact you might know.

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From: DiBacco, Danielle
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2020 4:11 PM
To: Marty Hubbard
Cc: Patty Couch
Subject: RE: Emailing: DASNY letter with attachments.pdf

Marty,

8239 has an executed Grant Disbursement Agreement with DASNY. Which means you can submit for reimbursement at any time.

DASNY completed its reviews on 13206. It was sent for final approval. Unfortunately once DASNY completes the reviews it is out of our control and there is no way for us to know when we will receive approval. If you'd like you could try reaching out to your sponsors office to see if they have any information to provide.

Thank you
Danielle

From: Marty Hubbard <mhubbardconstruction@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2020 12:54 PM
To: DiBacco, Danielle <DDiBacco@dasny.org>
Cc: Patty Couch <clerk@villageofskaneateles.com>
Subject: FW: Emailing: DASNY letter with attachments.pdf

EXTERNAL EMAIL: Use caution before opening links / attachments.

Ref: Grant # 8239 Phase I Seawall & Grant # 13206 Phase II Clift Park

Good afternoon Danielle - it has been some time since we last spoke.

The below attachment from Clerk Couch was sent to you in August '19.

As elaborated and discussed, the respective expenditures overlapped and significantly exceeded the total of the 2 grants equaling \$100,000.

When we last spoke Grant # 8239 was processed and Grant # 13206 had been forwarded to some other area or department at DASNY.

Admittedly, we are unfamiliar with how your system works, but the amount of time that has lapsed is concerning.

Please let me know what we need to do: personal cell # 315-247-9789.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, Marty Hubbard, Mayor

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From: Barbara VanEpps
Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 11:00 AM
To: Marty Hubbard
Cc: Clerk
Subject: Re: Emailing: DASNY letter with attachments.pdf

Perfect. Let me know what you hear....or don't hear.

Barbara

On Jun 6, 2020, at 10:14 AM, Marty Hubbard <mhubbardconstruction@gmail.com> wrote:

Per the attachment, our Village has expended significant monies with the anticipation of the two referenced grant reimbursements.

We have been given no formal response and quite frankly do not understand the "system" and what further is required on our end.

Please review and we will appreciate any direction / assistance you may provide. I am also available via my mobile # 315-247-9789.

Thank you for your consideration. Marty Hubbard, Mayor

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From: Clerk
Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 9:56 AM
To: Marty Hubbard
Subject: Emailing: DASNY letter with attachments.pdf

Per your request .

Thank you,
Patty

Your message is ready to be sent with the following file or link attachments:

DASNY letter with attachments.pdf

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