

Minutes
Design Review Board
February 13, 2013

Present: Juan Cruz, Dan Martin, Deborah Kruskal, Jen Koffel

***Architectural and Sign Review: 50 Union Ave
TLS Paving***

Tim Shannon presented architectural plans and color samples for a proposed change to 50 Union Avenue. The applicant intends to change the pitch of the roof and extend it over the front portion of the building where there is presently a flat roof. The applicant also intends to replace the existing windows and paint the building with Benjamin Moore briarwood and Navajo white. The applicant also noted that one window on the plan would actually be replaced with an additional door to provide sufficient access and egress. The Board finds the plans as presented to be an improvement over the existing building and in keeping with the character of the town.

The Board unanimously voted to approve the plans as presented.

Mr. Shannon also presented an application for a freestanding sign to be placed on the existing posts, present from the previous tenant, Johnson Paving. The Board noted that the sign would need to be carved.

Neither the applicant nor the Board was in favor of the color scheme or layout shown in the color rendering provided by the sign maker. The applicant indicated that he wants the sign to use the same or similar colors as those to be used on the building, such as Navajo white and black forest green.

The applicant and the Board also favored the layout presented by the architect on the architectural drawings in which the "TLS" is smaller and "Paving Company" is fully spelled out across a single line. Mr. Cruz noted that the architect's layout for the sign is not to the correct aspect ratio, and that the actual sign would be wider. Mr. Martin expressed a desire to have the applicant drop the phone number so that the rest of the sign would fit comfortably in the actual sign shape.

The Board also indicated that the address would have to be on the sign, and recommended the applicant consider placing the street number in a cap rather than trying to fit it onto the bottom of the sign.

The Board unanimously voted to approve a sign provided it is carved, in colors similar to those presented by the applicant, and in a layout substantially similar to that on the architect's drawing.

The Board informed the applicant that he should get a sign permit when also getting the building permits.

Miscellaneous

The board approved the minutes of January 9.