The 431th meeting of the Penfield Historic Preservation Board was held on Thursday, May 5, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. EDT, in the Supervisor’s boardroom at the Penfield Town Hall, 3100 Atlantic Avenue, Penfield, NY 14526

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Joan Belgiorno, Chair
- Tom Combs
- Don Crumb
- Glenn Enderby
- Steve Golding
- Mira Mejibovsky
- Mike Pignato

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

- None

ALSO PRESENT:

- Paula Metzler, Town Board Liaison
- Kathy Kanauer, Town Historian
- Jim Costello, Director of Developmental Services
- Patrick Connolly, of DDS, representing RG&E

1.0 Approve minutes of the April 7, 2016 meeting
   It was moved by Tom Combs and seconded by Mira Mejibovsky that the April 7, 2016 minutes be approved as amended. All present voted Aye.

2.0 Consideration of applications for Certificates of Appropriateness
   There are no applications for Certificates of Appropriateness before the Board this evening.

3.0 Miscellaneous Matters
   3.1 Discussion of proposed gas regulating facility at 1957 Five Mile Line Road – Mr. Patrick Connolly appeared before the Board to discuss a proposal to relocate the existing underground gas regulating system at the intersection of Five Mile Line Road and...
Whalen Road to the west, approximately 110 feet along Whalen Road adjacent to the driveway which previously served the residence where the garden is now located. It is Mr. Connolly’s intent to install 4’ x 6’ x 10’ above ground silver cabinet system to house a new gas regulator. He proposes to place bollards around the perimeter of it. The Board expressed great concern over the placement of the modernistic cabinet system being placed within the Five Mile Line Road Historic Preservation District and directly across the street from the Hipp-Hutch House which has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Board stated that it would not support a Certificate of Appropriateness for the proposal as it has been submitted. Board recommendations included that the cabinet be relocated to the west side of the driveway, that the driveway be upgraded to include the use of pavers, stamped concrete or asphalt; that the cabinet be painted an earth tone such as forest green, and that a decorative fence be placed around it to buffer it from the neighbors. Mr. Connolly stated that he would take the Board’s comments back to RG&E to make them aware of the Board’s concerns and will come back to the Board once he has received input.

3.2 Kathy Kanauer noted that Kay Shaw, wife of former Board Chair George Shaw had a stroke about a month ago and has been rehabbing at Laurel Wood at the Highlands. She may be there indefinitely. Kathy stated that she is in good spirits and will accept calls and visitors.

4.0 Discussion of Historic Preservation Event – the Board continued its discussion of hosting an event in the fall at the Town Hall to provide residents, particularly residents who own historic homes, to gain a better understanding of the importance of historic preservation in general, but also to provide some history of the homes they live in and to give them insight and appreciation of their history. The Board determined that October 15th can accommodate everyone and that it should be a two hour event, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. The Town Hall auditorium has been reserved for that date and time. Kathy stated that she will contact Cynthia Howk at the Landmark Society, and Joan will contact Jerry Ludwig at the D & C and Steve Jordan to see if they can present on that date. Jim Costello said that he had contacted Bruce Zaretsky and he will attend. Jim Costello said that he had spoken with the Communication Director Phyllis Ely and she has agreed to assist with the public relations, invitations, etc. It was suggested that the invitations be delivered 6-7 weeks prior to the event. It was agreed that once the speakers commit, that the sub-committee will meet to finalize the organization of the event.

5.0 Adjournment – Mike Pignato motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

For The Historic Preservation Board

James Costello
Acting Clerk to the Board