Yardley Borough
Historical Architectural Review Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 21, 2024

Present: Elie Dreyfus, Tim Foster, Joy Harrington, Rita DeMarco, Gail Posey, and Dan Ward.
Excused: Jerry Taylor

G. Posey made a motion, R. DeMarco seconded to approve the revised Minutes from March 7, 2024 HARB Meeting, with a change to **COA 24-2** (agreed to online, after the HARB meeting), approving the sign, as submitted. Motion carried. **Approved 6-0**

Certificates of Appropriateness

1. **24-5** 43 South Main Street
    a. E. Dreyfus made a motion to approve as presented, seconded by R. DeMarco.
    b. **Motion approved 6-0**

2. **24-4** 31 North Main Street
    a. Amended the COA (24-4) to meet ADA requirements.
    b. D. Ward made a motion and T. Foster seconded to approve a handrail to begin one foot prior to the first step and connecting to the existing handrail.
    c. **Motion carried 6-0**

3. **24-3** 31 West Afton Avenue
    a. Siding
        i. Owner would like to replace original clapboard on front of home with Hardi Plank Siding.
        ii. HARB **again** recommended restoring and repainting any damaged original clapboard.
    b. Decking
        i. Owner has replaced original porch with Fiberon. The deck was installed without a building permit or Certificate of Appropriateness from HARB and was not approved by Council.
        ii. HARB **again** recommended original porch be reconstructed as per the original layout using mahogany or other wood used at time of original construction. All surfaces including board ends should be painted/finished
        iii. HARB reiterated that this property is one of the "jewels" of Yardley Borough. HARB reinforced the fact that all of the other buildings on West Afton Avenue have maintained their original materials, in keeping with the historic mission of HARB and the borough of Yardley.
    c. E. Dreyfus made a motion, seconded by T. Foster to **keep the denied COA in place.**
    d. **Motion to deny COA** was approved **6-0**

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Posey