

**Community Preservation Panel December 4, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was held at the Aurora Firehouse meeting room at 7:00 pm

**Present:** Chairperson Jim Burkett, Jeff Blum, Chris MacCormick, Claire Morehouse, and Julia Rossmann

**Others Present**

**Village Officials:** Clerk Ann Balloni

**Members of the Public:** Inns of Aurora Facilities Manager, Corey Guerrette

**Call to Order:** Mr. Burkett called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Changes to the Agenda:** Inns of Aurora applications will be reviewed first.

**Approval of Minutes:** On motion by MacCormick, seconded by Morehouse, the CPP voted to approve the September 4, 2024 minutes.

AYES: Blum, Burkett, MacCormick, Morehouse, and Rossmann

NAYS: None

Motion carried unanimously.

**Announcements:** Village employee/officials, holiday happy hour on December 13 at the Golf Club, from 5-7.

**Old Business**

**Application #24-20 from the Inns of Aurora for replacement of two porches at 311 Main Street, Morgan House (Tax Map #181.16-1-28.1) – change in material**

Mr. Guerrette explained that initially they were going to use in-kind material but determined that composite was a better option.

Mr. Burkett confirmed that both porches are on the east side of the building.

On motion by MacCormick, second by Blum, the CPP voted to approve the modifications to Application #24-20.

AYES: Blum, Burkett, MacCormick, Morehouse, and Rossmann

NAYS: None

Motion Carried unanimously.

**Historic District/Landmark Designations:** On motion by MacCormick, second by Morehouse, the CPP voted to schedule a public hearing on January 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. to receive comments on recommendations to designate Court Street/Cherry Avenue as a historic district neighborhood, and the Wells College boathouse lawn as a scenic landmark.

AYES: Blum, Burkett, MacCormick, Morehouse, and Rossmann

NAYS: None

Motion Carried unanimously.

**New Business**

**Application #24-36 from the Inns of Aurora for a new chimney cap at 418 Main Street, Zabriskie House (Tax Map #181.12-1-13.1)**

Mr. Guerrett explained installing a new, vented chimney cap to help diffuse propane odor out of the guest room fireplace. Mr. Guerrette confirmed that the cap is legal and meets code requirements.

On motion by MacCormick, second by Blum, the CPP voted to approve Application #24-36 as submitted.

AYES: Blum, Burkett, MacCormick, Morehouse, and Rossmann

NAYS: None

Motion Carried unanimously.

**Additional Landmark Designations:** The Preservation Association of Central New York (PACNY) and Bill & Laurie Roberts submitted requests (attached) for the CPP to consider recommending Barler Music Building and Campbell Art Building, located on Wells College Campus and within the Wells College/Village of Aurora Historic District, to the Village Board of Trustees for landmark status.

The CPP discussed the closing of Wells College, the significance of the architect, the relationship of the buildings to Long Library (a local landmark), and the harmonious setting.

On motion by Morehouse, second by Blum, the CPP voted to include the Barler and Campbell buildings with the list of recommended landmarks for the January 8, 2025 public hearing.

**Adjournment:** On motion by Blum, seconded by Rossmann, the CPP voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

AYES: Blum, Burkett, MacCormick, Morehouse, and Rossmann

NAYS: None

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Balloni

Village Clerk