

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
LONG GROVE ARCHITECTURAL COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
February 11, 2013  
7:00 P.M.**

**Call to Order:** Chairman Michaelson-Cohn, called the regular meeting of the Long Grove Architectural Commission (AC) to order at 7:02 p.m. with the following members present;

Members Present: Lynn Michaelson-Cohn; Chair, Valerie Plunkett and Marietta Calas and Eric Styer.

Also Present: Village Planner James Hogue and members of the public.

Absent: Commissioners Howard and Tapas

**1. Approval of the November 26, 2012 Draft Meeting Minutes.**

Typographical errors were noted in the draft minutes. A motion was made by Commissioner Styer, seconded by Commissioner Calas to accept the draft minutes as corrected. On a voice vote; all aye.

**2. Consideration of elevations for a residence at 5185 Eastgate Lane (Lot 8; Eastgate Estates PUD) submitted by the Orren Pickell Design Group.**

Mr. Tom Donahue, President Orren Pickell Design Group, presented the elevations for the property at 5185 Eastgate Lane. He indicated natural cedar shakes would be used for siding on the structure. White trim is proposed for windows on other trim features on the structure. An architectural shingle, made of asphalt is proposed for the roof. This is anticipated to be grayish/brown in color.

Planner Hogue explained the location of the lot within the subdivision. He indicated this was one of the few lots on the north side of Eastgate Lane and abutted the permanent open space in the development. The use of natural materials, such as the cedar shakes for siding, complemented the open space abutting the property in his opinion.

The AC noted that pictures instead of actual material samples were submitted for review. While this request was fairly straight forward other requests may be more difficult. Review of the structure is made more difficult without the actual material samples for consideration. The AC asked staff to require that actual material samples be presented for consideration.

After discussion Commissioner Calas made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Plunkett to approve the request as submitted with materials sample photos to be submitted to staff for final review and approval. On a voice vote; all aye.

**3. Consideration of a request for signage for “Rivellino School of Art”, 216 Robert Parker Coffin Road (Gosswiller School) and within the B-1 Historic District, Submitted by Roshel Rivellino.**

Planner Hogue reviewed the request noting the property in question is located on the south side of Robert Parker Coffin Road and is located adjacent to the Pear Tree Christmas Shop and the former Apple Haus. The space is also occupied by the Long Grove Confectionary.

As submitted the petitioner proposes two signs, a wall sign measuring approximately 4’ x 3.25’ (13 sq. ft.) and a hanging sign (possibly double faced) with dimensions to be determined. The wall sign will be placed on the front of the structure above the existing sign “Long Grove Confectionary Sign”. The hanging sign will be suspended from the porch on the rear of the structure. Square footage of the commercial space for which the sign is being requested is approximately 1200 square feet. For retail spaces containing 1,001 to 3,000 sq. ft. of floor area 20 square feet of signage may be allowed per the Village Zoning Code.

Based upon the total square footage of signage proposed (13 square feet), the requested hanging sign would be limited to 7 Sq. Ft. to be in compliance with the Village Code for the floor area at this location. Signage may be divided up between wall signs, hanging signs and freestanding signs but may not exceed the maximum allowable square footage allocated by floor area. The structure would not qualify for the “signage bonus” identified below as the structure measures approximately 45 feet from the edge of the Robert Parker Coffin Road pavement.

Roshel Rivellino and Steve Curtis petitioners, further discussed their signage proposal indicating the signs are to be made of wood which will be carved and sandblasted, and painted to match the color scheme presented to the AC. The exact sizes of the signs are not yet known as they are still working with the sign maker. Individual signs may vary a bit in size but will not exceed the maximum of twenty (20) square feet allowed at this location.

Upon discussion the AC noted that although the signage had good color contrast and was inviting, the colors were a bit bright and did not blend well with the building onto which the signs would be mounted. A toning down of the colors to achieve a better balance between the sign color and building was suggested. Petitioners agreed and were amenable to this modification.

A motion was made to accept the signage as presented subject to the following conditions; 1) that the sign colors be “grayed down” to achieve a better balance between the building color and sign color; and, 2) the total square footage of the proposed shall not exceed the maximum permissible square footage of 20 sq. ft. for signage at this location; 3) to be submitted to staff for final review and approval. On a voice vote; all aye.

**OTHER BUSINESS: None**

**Adjournment:** Commissioner Plunkett made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Styer. On a voice vote; all aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*James M. Hogue*  
James M. Hogue, Village Planner