

VILLAGE OF BALLSTON SPA
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 14, 2023 9:30 AM

The Historic District Commission met at 104-106 East High Street due to the filing of an application for Shelley Zieske seeking a building permit to install replacement windows at 106 East High Street. The application was received by the building department on September 6, 2023. Commission members present were Gary Stephenson, Carrie Chapman, Steve Springer and chair, John Cromie. Also present were Shelley Zieske and Richard Canastra, Home Depot representative.

Known as the "Newton House", 104-106 East High is commonly owned by Ms. Zieske and another and each has a separate residence. Ms. Zieske lives in the eastern side or 106 East High Street. The building permit application only refers to 106 East High, which includes most of the windows under the front porch. No second story windows are a subject to the permit application. Windows facing the rear yard are not within the Commission's jurisdiction.

All five front windows are extremely large. The one window to be relace on the eastern elevation of the house is of a more modest size. All windows appear to be original; the top sash have a single vertical divider, and the lower sash are a single pane. It was explained Anderson 400 replacements will be constructed to fit within existing window jams. Exterior cladding of the wooden windows will be white to match existing trim and are paintable. The single divider in the upper sash will be of a full divided light, not simulated divided light as described in the spec sheet attached to the application. The divider will be $\frac{3}{4}$ inch. After further review of the information provided by Ms. Zieske and Mr. Canastra, the Commission decided as follows:

It was moved by Steve Springer that the Commission will require the north and east facing windows of 106 East High Street to be, as planned, Anderson 400 series inserts to match in size and design the existing window sash they will replace in a two over one configuration with a vertical divider in the upper sash which is to be a "Full Divided Light," as shown in "Grille Options" in Anderson's window literature. Motion was seconded by Carrie and passed.

Shelley Zieske was complimented for choosing the windows carefully and on her stewardship of the home.

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Steven Springer, Gary Stephenson, and John Cromie met at 199 Milton Ave. at about 3:45 PM in part to discuss a request from the Presbyterian Church to allow pressure treated lumber as decking for its handicap ramp. After discussion it was agreed the there is no opposition to allowing the church to use pressure treated decking or composite decking, as it desires. It was noted wooden decking will deteriorate faster and, without adequate care, can become very slippery.

Respectfully submitted
John J. Cromie