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A Regular Meeting of the Board of Building Design of the Incorporated Village of Lawrence was held on Monday, January 7, 2013 at the Lawrence Village Hall, 196 Central Avenue, Lawrence New York 11559.

Those members present were: Acting Chairperson Barry Pomerantz
Member Barbara Kupferstein
Alternate Member Shoshana Weinstock

Those members absent were: Chairman Benjamin Sporn
Member Eva Staiman
Member Ronni Berman

Also present were: Thomas P. Rizzo, Secretary to Board of Building Design. Chairman Sporn called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Building Design at 7:17 PM. Proof of posting for the meeting was submitted. The meeting agenda included one new application and one prior application. Acting Chairperson Pomerantz stated that the applications would be reviewed by the order from the sign in sheet.

The following prior application was considered:

Eisenberg – 3 Copperbeech Ln. – Circular driveway plan and landscape plan. Mr. Joseph Wasserman from Warren Meister Architect came forward and stated he was representing the property owners. The Board member reviewed the plan for the circular driveway and landscaping. The Board Members discussed among themselves that the Board had reviewed and approved the drawings for the constructed of the new house on the lot already but requested to see the plan for the circular driveway and the landscaping for the property. Member Kupferstein stated that the driveway was already installed and questioned why the architect had submitted the drawings for review after the driveway

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and landscaping was installed. Mr. Rizzo advised the Board Members that the property owner was in the process of obtaining the final certificate of occupancy for the new house and this was a condition to obtain the certificate of occupancy. The Board Members discussed the circular driveway with Mr. Wasserman and discussed what landscaping was installed already and what landscaping had not been installed yet. Mr. Wasserman stated that the rest of the landscaping would be installed in the spring. The Board Members held a short discussion among themselves regarding the circular driveway. The Board Members unanimously agreed that the circular driveway did not comply with guidelines used regarding circular driveways but noted the unusual shape of the lot and the location of the lot on an island of land made the driveway more acceptable to the Board of Building Design. The Board Members also note that the Board of Zoning Appeals had review the plans for the construction of this new home and the plot plan with the circular driveway. No one else appeared before the Board to support or oppose the application. Action Chairman Pomerantz asked if any board member would make a motion. A motion was made by Member Kupferstein to approve the circular driveway and landscape plan as submitted. The motion was seconded by Alternate Member Weinstock with the following votes cast: Member Kupferstein yes, Acting Chairman Pomerantz yes and Alternate Member Weinstock yes. Mr. Wasserman thanked the Board.

The following new application was considered:

Haas – 27 Merrall Dr. – Two story rear addition, second floor rear addition and interior alterations and alter garage space. Mr. Adam Charles of John Capobianco Architect came forward and identified himself as representing Mr. & Mrs. Haas, the property

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owners. Mr. Charles explained that Mr. Capobianco was out of town for a wedding so he was appearing for Mr. Capobianco. Acting Chairman Pomerantz asked about the new roof on the front. Mr. Charles explained that the addition was on the rear of the home and on the front roof enhancement where just be added. Mr. Charles explained that the second floor would be sided with stucco and the first floor would be sided with brick and the roof would be a dark gray color. Member Kupferstein and Alternate Member Weinstock discussed the sky lights on the roof and asked if the sky light was new? Mr. Charles explained that the sky light in the lower roof was to let additional light into the first floor study. Member Kupferstein asked why they needed the sky light for that first floor room. Mr. Charles explained that the room would have a smaller window that was set high in the wall so that a piece of furniture could be put on the wall under the window and the sky light would allow additional light into the room. The Board Members discussed the color for the stucco siding with Mr. Charles. No one else appeared before the Board to support or oppose the application. A motion was made by Alternate Member Weinstock to approve the addition with the following condition: 1) the sky light in the first floor front roof will be removed from the design. The motion was seconded by Member Kupferstein with the following votes cast: Member Kupferstein yes, Acting Chairman Pomerantz yes, and Alternate Member Weinstock yes.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM.

This is to certify that I, Thomas P. Rizzo, Secretary to the Board of Building Design, have read the foregoing minutes and the same are in all respects a full and correct record of such meeting.

Thomas P. Rizzo