

**SUMMARY NOTES  
OF THE MEETING OF THE  
ARCHITECTURAL COMMISSION  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2007  
VILLAGE OF NORTHFIELD**

On Tuesday, October 9, 2007 at the Northfield Village Board Room, 361 Happ Road, the Architectural Commission met at 7:00 P.M. to consider one issue:

Members in Attendance:

Todd Berlinghof, Acting Chair  
Tom Jennings  
Steve Hirsch  
Steve Page  
Patricia Leonard

Members Absent:

Pat Karr, Chairperson  
Juergen Fuss

OTHERS PRESENT: Linnea O'Neill (see attached sign-in sheet).

Acting Chair Berlinghof requested approval of the Summary Notes of the September 10, 2007, Architectural Commission meeting.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Hirsch, Seconded by Commissioner Jennings to approve the Architectural Commission Summary Notes of September 10, 2007.**

The vote was as follows:

**AYES: 5**

Todd Berlinghof, Acting Chair  
Tom Jennings  
Steve Hirsch  
Steve Page  
Patricia Leonard

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**ABSENT: 2**

Pat Karr  
Juergen Fuss

**Motion Carried**

**ISSUE #1: Consideration of a request for approval of site plan, fencing and landscaping for the proposed sport court located at 3 Rolling Ridge, submitted by Roger Castino.**

Roger Castino, owner of 3 Rolling Ridge, was present before the Commission. He is proposing a sport court on the west side of his property. He said he has read and consents to staff recommendations.

Acting Chair Berlinghof questioned the detention on the property. Ms. O'Neill indicated it has been reviewed by the Village Engineer.

Commissioner Page asked if the court will be located at least 10 feet from the lot line. Mr. Castino indicated it will be located a little more than 10 feet from the lot line.

Commissioner Jennings inquired about the drainage of water from the court. Mr. Scott Connolly, representing Sport Court, indicated that it is constructed with 4" concrete which is crowned so the water sheds to detention area. It is not sheet drained. The water flows to each side or whichever direction is desired. Mr. Castino continued by saying that he is constructing an elaborate drainage system to the west of the court which the Village required. It is a 5' deep trench which will run out toward the street.

Commissioner Page said it is basically an underground storage tank and asked if it was constructed due to the glass house. Mr. Castino said that it will help the overall drainage in the entire area.

Mr. Tom O'Donoghue, 1 Rolling Ridge, was present in the audience and came to the meeting to find out where on the property the sport court would be located. He said that he has been out of town and was unable to speak with Mr. Castino directly. He said he has no objection to the sport court or its location.

There being no further discussion, the following motion was made:

**A motion was made by Commissioner Page, Seconded by Commissioner Hirsch to approve the sport court, fence and landscaping at 3 Rolling Ridge in conformance with the plans submitted September 6, 2007.**

**The vote was as follows:**

**AYES: 5**

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**ABSENT: 2**

**Todd Berlinghof, Acting Chair**

**Pat Karr**

**Tom Jennings**

**Juergen Fuss**

**Steve Hirsch**

**Steve Page**

**Patricia Leonard**

**Motion Carried**

**Other Business:**

Linnea O'Neill, Planner for the Village of Northfield, discussed the Community Events Sign with the Commission. She indicated that the lease with ComEd has been finalized to locate the Community Events sign at Willow and Central. ComEd, however, has limited the area and therefore some of the original features will not be included. The current design will include the sign as originally proposed, three uprights and the landscaping immediately surrounding the sign. The stonework will remain also. Ms. O'Neill indicated it will go to bid in early December.

Acting Chair Berlinghof suggested getting masonry bids for the stonework. Ms. O'Neill indicated they will get landscape contractor bids also and hoped to get more bids. She also pointed out that the landscaping plan is in the packet.

Commissioner Hirsch asked about the pavers. Pavers currently exist adjacent to Central and Willow. No new pavers will be installed.

Commissioner Jennings questioned whether the benches would be installed in the future. Ms. O'Neill indicated ComEd was very particular and didn't want any tall trees and limited the construction area. She is hopeful the benches could be installed in the future. She also indicated that the banners will be the same 4' x 6'. She went on to say that the plaque may be located in the ground in front of the sign.

Commissioner Page inquired as to who determines what signs are used. Ms. O'Neill indicated the Village determines this. She also said they plan to have banner guidelines to follow.

Commissioner Leonard felt it was beautifully done and will be a handsome addition to the Village. Ms. O'Neill pointed out that the Garden Club will take care of the potted plants.

Commissioner Hirsch suggested that the Chamber of Commerce banners and the Village signs have a common logo theme.

Then a short discussion was made regarding the Union Pacific railroad ties and who will clean them up. Ms. O'Neill said she will look into it.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Hirsch, Seconded by Commissioner Page to approve.**

**The vote was as follows:**

**AYES: 5**  
Todd Berlinghof  
Tom Jennings  
Steve Hirsch  
Steve Page  
Patricia Leonard

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**ABSENT: 2**  
Pat Karr  
Juergen Fuss

**Motion Carried**

The Commission thanked Ms. O'Neill for the update on the Northfield Community Church matter which was before them in September, 2007.

There being no further issues to discuss upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Page, seconded by Commissioner Jennings and passed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

HGM 10/10/07

*Approved 11/12/07*