

**ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
DARIEN, CONNECTICUT
MINUTES
May 20, 2014**

MEMBERS: Lawrence, Brown, Castell, Hughes, Macdonald
STAFF: Keating

**1) Continuation of ARB #6-2014,
Tokeneke Club Inc., 4 Tokeneke Beach Drive, R-1 Zone
*Proposed clubhouse.***

The applicant represented by Wilder Gleason and Tim Smith presented modifications to the gable roof doghouse dormers with windows in a 2x2 and 3x3 pane configuration with minimal trim and no apparent overhang. The 3x3 pane window was preferred. The dormers breakup the massive roof lines.

Approved as submitted.

**2) Continuation of ARB #7-2014,
Tokeneke Club Inc., 4 Tokeneke Beach Drive, R-1 Zone.
*Proposed bathhouse.***

The rear fence will have horizontal clapboard siding (Proposal A) that is offset mounted to permit airflow in the back corridor. The siding will be off-white color with white trim. The roof material will be Timberline Weatheredwood architectural shingles. Applicant presented to ARB as soon as possible to get ARB's comments, recommendations, and approval.

Approved as presented.

**3) Continuation of ARB #24-2013,
Giovanni's – Water's Edge, 2748 Boston Post Road, R-1/3 Zone.
*Proposed additions, façade change & sign.***

The applicants, Sal & Joan Latorocca, owners, and Josef Solta, architect, presented the proposed changes. The state is widening the road and their current sign is in the right of way and must be relocated. The parking in front will be eliminated in favor of one way drive thru and drop off lanes under a new proposed portico.

The applicant is requesting a two sided monument sign along their Darien property side built with a brick base matching the building brick color. The capstone will (painted) match the building balustrade/stucco and the seasonal plantings under the sign will be minimal height. The address number will be added to the capstone and there will be mild up lighting.

The proposed front portico must be lowered to one story. The applicant proposed two schemes to ARB: 1) with a shallow hip roof and 2) open balcony terrace with a non-visible flat roof. The balcony terrace was selected with columns of matching brick. The building front wall will be the checker board stucco with the balustrade painted to match the stucco pale color. The balcony railing will have base mounted coach lamps.

Approved as discussed.

4) Modification of ARB # 16-2012.

***Browne & Co., 865 Boston Post Road, (site of former good food good things).
Replacement Awning.***

The applicant, Diane Brown, proposes replacing the current awning with a new one made with grey and white Sunbrella material. The valance will have a straight edge with no words, names, or logos printed on it. The awning will reuse the existing frame and be the same size as the current awning.

Approved as submitted.

5) ARB #10-2014.

***Denemedede and ARC, 679 Boston Post Road, DB-1 Zone.
Proposed hanging sign.***

The applicant, Beth DuPont, proposes a new hanging sign using Benjamin Moore Silver Spring and white colors using the exiting white pole and black bracket. The address number will be added to the bottom of the sign.

Approved as submitted.

Approval of Minutes

April 22, 2014

Any Other Business

800 Boston Post Road

The applicant, represented by Pete Gelderman, is pursuing a hanging sign for the second floor tenants mounted on a post along the northwest corner of the building. The sign's outer edge must be four feet or more inside the property line. The address number exists above the building entrance door. The proposed sign would be black with gold lettering. The ARB recommended white lettering for better visibility and recommended the applicant modify the sign format to be more modern/contemporary. It was also suggested that the sign location be moved to the landscape area and the "800" address number be larger in size. The applicant will return with a final submission.