

October 12, 2011

Chatham County Appearance Commission

Members Present: Ginny Gregory, Chair; Al Cooke; Grim Hobbs; Davis Andrews;
Sue Schwartz

Members Absent: Caroline Siverson; Kitty Griffith

Staff Present: Angela Birchett

Presenters: Dana Kadwell, Owner; Courtney Hopper, Owner

Ms. Kadwell and Ms. Hopper presented their plans for a B and B Event Venue on Pea Ridge Rd. This venue is planned to host weddings.

1. CCAC members recommended that a deer fence be installed prior to any plant installation.
2. Plant recommendations were made to vary the evergreen selections for proposed 20 ft buffer on both sides of the property. The buffer on the North (?) side may be staggered on either side of the driveway which is proposed to run down that side.
3. The CCAC also recommended that large specimen trees be installed at various locations throughout the property because no such vegetation presently exists on the property. Plants recommended for this included *Magnolia grandiflora*, *Taxodium distichum* (Bald Cypress) for the rear of the property which is low, wet and backs up to the Haw River, and *Quercus* spp.
4. The CCAC recommended that the proposed Bradford Pear trees (*Pyrus* spp) which have structural problems and are frequently damaged by weather conditions be replaced by flowering cherries (*Prunus* spp), of which several varieties are available.
5. The CCAC also cautioned the owners to be diligent in the protection of any plant materials during construction.
6. It was recommended that the dumpster be installed near or in the parking area which is at the street end of the property. Said dumpster shall be screened according to the Design Guidelines.
7. The design for a sign at the entrance to the property will be emailed to Ms. Birchett and then to CCAC members for comments. When this process has been completed, CCAC members will give final approval to the proposal.

Submission by Sue Schwartz