

The Gates Mills **Architectural Board** met in regular session on **Thursday, June 04, 2026** at **5:00 P.M.** in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall.

Members present: John Spirk; Chair, Janet AuWerter, Judi Embrescia, Jann Holzman, Sandra Turner and Sara Welsh.

Members absent: None.

Also present: William Childs, Architect and Richard Kawalek, Architect.

1. Detached pavilion plans for **GILMOUR ACADEMY** at **34001 Cedar Road**. Robert Orovits, Architect and Kathy Popp, Gilmour Academy were present.

Mr. Orovits reviewed the proposed alumni pavilion for the Board.

Mr. Kawalek recommended adding brick pier columns in lieu of the steel 6 x 6 columns and using asphalt shingles to match the other buildings instead of the proposed black standing seam metal roof.

Mr. Orovits stated the budget would not allow for masonry columns.

After further discussion, a motion was made to approve as final the proposed alumni pavilion as submitted.

Motion by: J. AuWerter 2nd: J. Holzman

Roll Call: Ayes: All.
 Nays: None.

Motion Approved

2. Addition plans for the **HERBRUCK** residence at **1220 Carpenter Road**. Ed Ziernick, Planner and Jonathon Herbruck, Owner were present.

Mr. Ziernick reviewed the addition plans for the Board. He stated it consists of a new front porch addition across the entire front of the existing house and a master bedroom addition on the rear and north side.

Mr. Kawalek stated the existing house is very traditional in design and the front porch along the entire front will hide the charm and does not match the existing architectural style. Suggested a front porch on either side of the main front element.

Mr. Childs agreed with Mr. Kawaleks comments. The charm and style of the existing house is lost with the proposed porch design.

After further discussion, the Board asked the owner to study alternative designs and resubmit.

No Action Taken

3. Additon and renovation plans for the **FRIES** residence at **463 Overlook Road**. Heather Davies, Architect was present.

Ms. Davies reviewed the addition and renovation plans.

Mr. Childs suggested studying the hip roof. As drawn, it may cause water problems in the future.

Mr. Kawalek suggested studying the eave trim details, plans show 2 different styles. Also suggested removing the arch at the new entrance gable and adding an architrave.

Ms. Davies agreed to review the suggested changes and resubmit.

No Action Taken

4. Revised remodeling plans for the **SIRK** residence at **6974 Gates Road**. Daniel Sirk, Architect was present.

Mr. Sirk reviewed the revised plans.

Mr. Childs stated the new front bay addition should be trimmed as shown in the previous drawing in lieu of the proposed siding material. Also suggested studying the cupola size, scale is still too small.

Mr. Sirk agreed to make the changes and resubmit.

No Action Taken

5. Revised renovation plans for the **BISHOP** residence at **950 Chestnut Run**. Cole Crea, Contractor was present.

Mr. Crea stated the drawings have been changed as requested by the Board. The new dormers will have a hip roof instead of the shed roof.

Mr. Kawalek stated he thought the hip dormer roof looked much better than the shed roof.

Mr. Childs agreed.

After further discussion, a motion was made to approve as final the proposed revised renovation plans as revised.

Motion by: J. AuWerter 2nd: J. Embrescia

Roll Call: Ayes: All.
 Nays: None.

Motion Approved

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at **5:20 PM**.

John Spirk, Chair

Dave Biggert, Secretary