

Barnstable Historical Commission

MINUTES May 18, 2010

Meeting called to order at 4:02pm

Members Present: Barbara Flinn, George Jessop, Jessica Rapp Grasseti, Marilyn Fifield, Len Gobeil, Nancy Clark, Nancy Shoemaker

Members Absent: None

DEMOLITION APPLICATIONS FILED –

Berkey, Scott & Patricia, 759 Main Street, Cotuit (Built 1860 – Inventoried)

Partial Demolition & Relocation of Former Cottage-style Shed

Presentation by Patricia Berkey (owner) and Cy Zarthar (contractor)

- Revised detailed drawings submitted by applicant: seeking to remove enclosed porch addition, add another gabled room to replace it and the gabled roof will be lower than the existing roof
- Shed: indicated section to be removed and restoration to original structure, moving it back on the lot to conform to zoning codes; window boxes will be added to the shed as well
- Stairs: suggestion from Jackie Etsten noted and implemented
- Plans identify a better, more appropriate design

Motion duly made by Nancy Shoemaker, seconded by Jessica Rapp-Grasseti to accept the application for demolition with the improvement of the stairs

VOTE: So voted unanimously

Motion duly made by Nancy Shoemaker, seconded by Nancy Clark to accept the application for moving of the shed and partial demolition at 759 Main Street, Cotuit

VOTE: So voted unanimously

Fisher, Andrew & Colleen, 241 School Street, Cotuit (Built 1850 – Inventoried)

Partial Demolition

Represented by Ed Mogan, contractor for owner

- Property is listed on the National Register
- Photographs reviewed by members
- Shaded area on drawings identify new addition; proposing new dog house dormer in the middle of the 2nd floor; remaining portion is only 20 years old; also proposing to put a dormer on the right (the room involved has only 8' of head room)
- Photo identifies new addition – eliminating existing door and replacing with location of where door was originally
- House is currently vinyl sided; owner seeks to bring home back to original state; round molding on 1850's side will remain and will be replicated on the other side
- Entrance will go from a single door on the far right end to the old original location as shown on the photo of the inventory sheet

- Window casing on the gable end will be replaced by dormer to match all other single windows on that elevation; windows need to be rounded on the front elevation
- Owners seek to eliminate chimney; but the interior will be turned into one great room - false chimney may be an option on the exterior, concerns raised about the vent and the soot that blows against the house staining the exterior wall; may not install vent on right elevation
- Members state that there are considerable changes to the house; changes should be reviewed with both Jackie Etsten and George Jessop
- Requested changes too numerous; request for applicant to withdraw the application for demolition and return after consultation and resubmit with new drawings that reflect what will really be done

Applicant withdrew application, will return to BHC with new demolition application referencing accurate plans

INFORMAL DISCUSSION

Plaque Program

- Current plaques made by Erie Landmark; members will try to locate local companies who make appropriate plaques
- Past practice has included different script styles, colors and shapes; homeowner can pick the shape and what goes on the plaque with committee approval
- Materials of plaques discussed (wood / laser etched / brass / etc.); concerned that brass plaques may be stole more often; other communities have brass; suggest that each district be distinctive; also acknowledge that some materials are inappropriate and need maintenance

Candace Jenkins Memorial

- Noted recent passing of Candace Jenkins
- Draft written by Marilyn Fifield and read into record, acknowledging the work she has done and include it in the Preservation Plan

Len Gobeil left the meeting at 4:50pm

OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

68 Dale Ave, Hyannisport – Cape Cod Commission Memo dated 5/7/2010

re: Minor Modification

- Insufficient detail received; letter sent to the Cape Cod Commission by Jackie Etsten, no plans or other information received by members
- Members agree that no work should be done until clear, concise information is received and shared
- Building department is now involved

Receipt of Old Selectmen's Building Estimate for Restoration

- Estimate received \$330,000 based on original estimate with increase of cost for delay of implementation; \$40,000 more
- Original plan was to completely replace the foundation with a current technologies foundation; foundation was to be a poured foundation with brick; existing foundation is piers and in-filled in between with concrete; with the foundations tied together it will stop it from slipping and the wall falling in
- Letter of Intent submitted to the Community Preservation Committee; LOI sent as protocol from CPC to BHC; should LOI be approved by CPC it would then be moved to application
- Further review due to costs involved

Election of Officers

- Nominations for Chair and Vice Chair to take place in June
- George Jessop and Nancy Clark to head up the nominating committee

West Barnstable Historical Society

* Next meeting May 27th on the Lombard Farm; start at the Senior Housing and go back to the Fire Station and give history of the farm; time is 7:00pm

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark, seconded by Nancy Shoemaker to adjourn the meeting

VOTE: So voted unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 5:10pm

** Further detail may be obtained by viewing the video via Channel 18 on demand at <http://www.town.barnstable.ma.us> **

Respectfully submitted by Theresa M. Santos
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