# Town of Barnstable Old King's Highway Historic District

**MINUTES** 

Wednesday, February 22, 2012

6:30pm

To all persons deemed interested or affected by the Town of Barnstable's Old King's Highway Historic District Act under Section 9 of Chapter 470, Acts of 1973 as amended. You are hereby notified that a hearing was held at the West Barnstable Community Building, 2377 Meetinghouse Way (Route 149), West Barnstable, MA.

Committee Members Present: Carrie Bearse, Elizabeth Nilsson, Bill Mullin, Mary Blair Petiet

Committee Members Absent: George Jessop Alternate Member Present: Ellen Merritt

A quorum being met, Chair Bearse called the hearing to order at 6:30pm. The Chair explained the hearing and appeal process and invited the public to address the Committee and view the plans of interest.

#### CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

# Town of Barnstable/DPW 2331 Meetinghouse Way, Barnstable, Map 155, Parcel 002 Old Selectmen's Building

Demolish Existing Foundation, Construct New Frost Wall Foundation & Concrete Piers, Regrading, Install Drywells, New Stoop, Sidewalk, ADA Signage

(Continued February 08, 2012)

Represented by Mark Marinaccio & John Juros, DPW, Steve Watchorn, CBI Consulting

Also present: Councilor June Daley

A new site plan was presented and Carrie Bearse commented that member George Jessop recommended changing the handicap parking space. Options for the walkway and parking area were discussed in detail with regard to brick, concrete or bituminous materials. Elizabeth Nilsson asked how they would handle the walkway for someone who came up from the Housing Complex via the sidewalk. This is currently not handicap accessible. Mark Marinaccio stated that they could try and tie in with the walkway from the parking or could tie it into the other walkway and agreed to look into this.

Elizabeth Nilsson & Bill Mullin believe that the brick is overwhelming and would prefer concrete for the walkways. Carrie Bearse stated that she believes the brick to be appropriate. Mary Blair Petiet commented that she was not fond of the concrete and prefers the brick and believes it ties in with the buildings. Ellen Merritt introduced the idea of a wood walkway and John Juros stated that he was not sure how Structures & Grounds would feel about a wood walkway due to the maintenance involved.

Bill Mullin inquired if the brick walkways have to be as big, perhaps they could decrease the amount of brick. Mark Marinaccio thought they could tighten the walkway to approximately 4' and remove the curve and reminded the Members that the brick would be flush with the grass.

Ellen Merritt asked about the gravel and parking space under the tree and John Juros stated that the whole parking area needs to be reviewed and they will be coming back at a later time once the details have been finalized. Elizabeth Nilsson wished to reiterate that she would like to see the walkway moved so that access is available from the housing center next door.

Motion duly made by Bill Mullin, seconded by Elizabeth Nilsson to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness and revised plan for brick with the reduction in size of the walkway, handicap parking space to be moved from under the tree, the reduction in size of the front step and revised plans to be submitted.

VOTE:

AYE: Bearse, Nilsson, Mullin, Petiet

NAY: None ABSTAIN: Merritt

NOTE: Ellen Merritt departs at 7:15pm

### **NEW APPLICATIONS**

Parker, Susan, 395 Willow Street, W. Barnstable, Map 131, Parcel 017

Install Skylight

Represented by Susan Parker

Ms. Parker stated that she would like to add a skylight to allow for more light within. Carrie Bearse noted that the house is set back from the road and Elizabeth Nilsson commented that she is not aware of this Committee approving skylights on the front of the home. Ms. Parker pointed out that there are 3 or 4 houses in the area that have skylights

on the front of the house. Carrie Bearse stated that they usually do not vote for skylights on the front of the house, however, due to the size of the proposed skylight and the location of the house, she is not opposed.

Motion duly made by Bill Mullin, seconded by Mary Blair Petiet to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for Susan Parker at 395 Willow Street, W. Barnstable as Submitted due to size of skylight and remote location of house.

VOTE:

AYE: Bearse, Mullin, Petiet

NAY: None

**ABSTAIN: Nilsson** 

#### Burger, Loren & Katherine, 91 Allyn Lane, Barnstable, Map 258, Parcel 074

Window & Slider Alterations, Construct Small Roof over 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Slider

Represented by Ray Castano, Contractor

Mr. Castano stated that the homeowners would like to make modifications to the second floor where there is currently a slider and a wood deck. They wish to remove the slider and the deck and replace with a window. On the first floor there is a six foot slider and they want to change to a seven foot slider and add a small covered roof. Also on the first floor there is a casement window in the kitchen and they want to change to three double hung windows.

Motion duly made by Elizabeth Nilsson, seconded by Bill Mullin to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for Loren & Katherine Burger at 91 Allyn Lane, Barnstable as Submitted. So Voted Unanimously

Bickford, Alison & Revere, Avery, 129 Rendezvous Lane, Barnstable, Map 279, Parcel 030 Replace 10' x 18' Shed

Application Withdrawn 2/10/2012

Messer, Richard & Sandra, 40 High Street, W. Barnstable, Map 133, Parcel 028-002

New Front Dormer, Replace Sunroom & Deck

Motion duly made by Elizabeth Nilsson, seconded by Bill Mullin to Continue the Certificate of Appropriateness to Wednesday, March 14, 2012 at 6:30pm due to no representative present. So Voted Unanimously

#### **CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTIONS**

Lay, Marcia, 60 Stonewall Drive, Barnstable, Map 217, Parcel 050-003 10' X 12' Shed

Motion duly made by Bill Mullin, seconded by Elizabeth Nilsson to Approve the Certificate of Exemption for Marcia Lay at 69 Stonewall Drive, Barnstable as Submitted.

So Voted Unanimously

#### Meetinghouse Farm, 2135 Meetinghouse Way/Rte 149, W. Barnstable, Map 130, Parcel 012

Re-Roof Main Building in Atlantic Blue; Option to paint white doors grey

Carrie Bearse noted that she does not believe they have every approved a blue roof within the Old King's Highway and Elizabeth Nilsson concurred. It was agreed to approve the option to paint the white doors grey.

Motion duly made by Bill Mullin, seconded by Mary Blair Petiet to Approve the Request to paint the doors grey and to deny the request to change the roof color to Atlantic blue. So Voted Unanimously

Shechtman, Richard, 210 Old Jail Lane, Barnstable, Map 278, Parcel 049-004

2' Fieldstone Wall & 4' Entrance Gates

Motion duly made by Bill Mullin, seconded by Elizabeth Nilsson to Approve the Certificate of Exemption for Richard Shechtman at 210 Old Jail Lane, Barnstable as Submitted. So voted Unanimously

#### **INFORMAL DISCUSSION**

#### Bickford, Alison, Revere, Avery, 129 Rendezvous Lane, Barnstable, Map 279, Parcel 030

The homeowners were present to discuss informally the idea of a full demolition of the single family dwelling. The purchased the house a year ago and discovered that the house has water issues. When they spoke with a contractor regarding renovations, he suggested that they start from scratch. They are here tonight to see if the committee knows of any historical or architectural significance attached to the property. A review of the Inventory files indicates that there is no Form B available. The town indicates that the structure was built 1950 and they have discovered that it was once known as the Ellis Bungalow and that at one time there were two houses on the lot. One

was known as the Capt. Baxter house and the other Ellis Farm. Both evidently burned down. Their intention is to build something appropriate and similar in size and footprint.

Carrie Bearse thanked the homeowners for their inquiry and suggested that when they get to the design process, they may want to come back again informally with a basic sketch before committing to final plans to have the Board review the design.

#### Robinson, Kristen, for 145 Cedar Street, W. Barnstable, Map 130, Parcel 023

The Chair called the above homeowners to come forward, unfortunately they were not present.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

#### FYI - From Town Clerk re: Open Meeting Law Complaint Abington Planning Board

Members acknowledged receipt of the letter dated February 9, 2012 outlining the Open Meeting Law complaint.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of February 08, 2012

Motion duly made by Elizabeth Nilsson, seconded by Bill Mullin to Approve the Minutes of February 08, 2012 as Submitted.

**So Voted Unanimously** 

Having no further business before this Commission, a Motion was duly made by Elizabeth Nilsson, seconded by Bill Mullin to Adjoin the Meeting at 7:50pm. So Voted Unanimously

Respectfully submitted, Marylou Fair, Recording Secretary