

Town of Barnstable
Old King's Highway Historic District
MINUTES
Wednesday, September 26, 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, George Jessop, Elizabeth Nilsson,
Mary Blair Petiet, Bill Mullin**

Committee Members Absent: None

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.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Agostinelli, Peter, 1610 Main Street, W. Barnstable, Map 197, Parcel 023

Replace/Repair Windows, New Gutter, Shutters

Represented by Peter Agostinelli

Homeowner wishes to replace the nine windows on the front of the house with a 6/6 pattern, true divided light with grills on the exterior and interior. Some of the windows may only need the windows replaced; other may need the sashes as well. The wooden gutter on the front portion of the house has fallen off and he would like to replace with aluminum. George Jessop would like to see the structure maintained as authentic as possible and suggested the composite gutter system. Bill Mullin stated that he would be agreeable to either wood or aluminum.

Mr. Agostinelli added that he would like to install shutters painted black. Elizabeth Nilsson was concerned that the windows are very close together and does not see how shutters would fit appropriately. Carrie Bearse stated that wooden shutters would be appropriate, or no shutters at all. Mr. Agostinelli withdrew his request for shutters.

Motion duly made by Elizabeth Nilsson, seconded by Bill Mullin to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for Peter Agostinelli at 1610 Main Street, W. Barnstable to replace nine windows, install gutter on all portion of existing house with wood or composite material with aluminum downspouts covered with a wooden box. Shutters have been withdrawn from application by homeowner.

So Voted Unanimously

Guertin, Robert & Joanne, 9 Candy Lane, Barnstable, Map 336, Parcel 042

Construct Dormer

Represented by Robert Guertin

Mr. Guertin explained that they had been previously approved for two dormers on the front of the house. They completed one dormer and the project was put on hold. They simply wish to match the existing dormer and complete the project.

Motion duly made by Mary Blair Petiet, seconded by Elizabeth Nilsson to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for Robert & Joanne Guertin at 9 Candy Lane, Barnstable as Submitted.

So Voted Unanimously

Craddock, James, 128 Gemini Drive, W. Barnstable, Map 131, Parcel 043

Install Two Skylights

Represented by James Craddock

Mr. Craddock stated that it is very dark inside the house and he would like to add two skylights on the front roof. He is not on Route 6A, there is no outlet to Route 6A and in this neighborhood, approximately 30% of the houses have visible skylights.

George Jessop asked why the skylights are not installed side by side rather than one on top of each other. Mr. Craddock explained that this is where the living room is and where his chair is located and he is looking to maximize the amount of sunshine during the day.

Chair Bearse noted that generally they do not approve skylights on the front of houses, but due to the setting of this house, does believe it would be appropriate.

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Mary Blair Petiet to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for James Craddock at 128 Gemini Drive, W. Barnstable as Submitted for two skylights on the front of the house due to setting, location and limited visibility of the neighborhood.

AYE: Bearse, Jessop, Mullin, Petiet

NAY: Nilsson

Kenney, John & Hunsicker, Elisabeth, 4099 Main Street, Barnstable, Map 336, Parcel 052

Install 4' Modified Picket Fence

Represented by Mark Hattman

Mr. Hattman explained the homeowner's reasons for requesting the fence. First, there is a prominent steel guardrail in front of the house and wish to add this feature for aesthetic reasons and secondly, and most important, the homeowners have two small children and safety is an issue.

The fence will not exceed 4 feet in height, material will be cedar painted white. It will be located approximately five feet back from the pavement.

Motion duly made by Mary Blair Petiet, seconded by Elizabeth Nilsson to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for John Kenney & Elisabeth Hunsicker at 4099 Main Street, Barnstable as Submitted. So Voted Unanimously

Barnstable Village Business Assoc. & Cape Cod Art Assoc, 3195 Main Street, Barnstable Map 299, Parcel 024

Construct Permanent Roof over Stage

Represented by Douglas Mitchell

Mr. Mitchell stated that they previously came before this Committee for a concrete platform and railings which are currently under construction. A dedication concert is planned for October 06, 2012. They would now like to raise additional funds and add a permanent roof over the stage. They have prepared a rendering which he submitted for the record (Exhibit A). They would also like to amend the application to reflect composite materials for the trim, railings and posts. Chair Bearse stated that if the composite is allowed, they would want it to be painted. Mr. Mitchell detailed the panels as well and indicated that these were designed to hide the electrical.

Motion duly made by Elizabeth Nilsson, seconded by Mary Blair Petiet to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for Barnstable Village Business Assoc & Cape Cod Art Assoc at 3195 Main Street, Barnstable to construct a permanent roof for covering of the approved stage as revised to include composite painted white.

So voted Unanimously

INFORMAL DISCUSSION

Cape Light Compact - Streetlight Initiative

Represented by Vicki Marchant, Cape Light Compact

Also present Edward Smith, Chrystal LaPine & Elaine Grace, West Barnstable Fire District

Ms. Marchant detailed Cape Light Compact's role as an energy facilitator. They try and capture kilowatt energy savings and pass them on. This project involves the replacement of the current lights with the new technologies that have come along. She stressed that the project involves the replacement of the light head and the bulbs only, not the poles.

Currently, the lights have an amber color and the new LED lights will be white. There are LED lights at the Courthouse, the High School and the new Stop & Shop; however, she adds that the parking lot at the Stop & Shop is very well lit.

Carrie Bearse asked if the only difference is the color or will the intensity change. Ms. Marchant explained that it is a different kind of light and if you go by the High School, this is a good example. George Jessop noted that the light is more horizontal than vertical.

In the Town of Barnstable, the Fire District in West Barnstable would like to partake and they have been talking with the Town Manager and DPW about extending the maintenance agreement. They are proposing test sites with four lights in a residential area and four lights in a commercial area.

The Barnstable Fire District, which does own the lights is proposing a test area on Phinney's Lane. Ms.

Marchant recommended they chose a residential area so that they can obtain feedback.

Councilor Canedy asked the predicted lifespan of the LED bulbs and if they were more expensive to replace.

Ms. Marchant replied that the bulbs have a lifespan of 50,000 hours and they are more expensive to replace currently, however, with all new technology, the prices should come down.

Chair Bearse thanked Cape Light Compact for their presentation.

Discussion regarding Sidewalks – Councilor Ann Canedy

Councilor Canedy asked that this discussion be postponed until a future meeting.

MINOR MODIFICATION

Gordon, Richard, 67 Harbor View Road, Barnstable, Map 319, Parcel 133

Reduce Dimensions, Add Opening to 3rd Floor Roof Deck

Represented by Gordon Clark

Mr. Clark presented a rendering for the members to review for a clearer understanding of how the opening on the 3rd floor deck would look. This is at the rear of the house and not visible from the road. The Zoning Board of Appeals requested that they construct the roof deck to further delineate that this is a non-livable area. Mr. Clark also requested an amendment that the railings be composite.

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Mary Blair Petiet to Approve the Minor Modification for Richard Gordon at 67 Harbor View Road, Barnstable as Submitted and to amend the application to reflect composite material for the railings.

So Voted Unanimously

Ader, Sanford, 280 Harbor Point Road, Cummaquid, Map 352, Parcel 035-00P

Change Cornerboard & Window Material to Composite

Carrie Bearse noted that the setting of the house is located close to the water and believes that the composite materials would be appropriate. George Jessop voiced concern on the appropriateness and would like to see the material remain wood.

Motion duly made by Mary Blair Petiet, seconded by Bill Mullin to Approve the Minor Modification for Sanford Ader at 280 Harbor Point Road, Cummaquid as Submitted for change in material to composite for cornerboard & window materials. All Composite material to be painted white.

AYE: Bearse, Nilsson, Mullin, Petiet

NAY: Jessop

CERTIFICATES OF EXEMPTION

Murray, Victoria, 1242 Mary Dunn Road, Barnstable, Map 334, Parcel 038

Install 4' Fence

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Mary Blair Petiet to Approve the Certificate of Exemption for Victoria Murray at 1242 Mary Dunn Road, Barnstable as Submitted

So Voted Unanimously

Stafford, Albert & Jean, 3600 Main Street, Barnstable, Map 317, Parcel 017

Install & Paint a Three Board Storm Door

NOTE: Bill Mullin recuses himself from the discussion and vote

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Mary Blair Petiet to Approve the Certificate of Exemption for Albert & Jean Stafford at 3600 Main Street, Barnstable as Submitted.

So Voted Unanimously

Sullivan, Kim, 45 Cobble Stone Road, Barnstable, Map 316, Parcel 049-001

12' X 14' Shed

The applicant has requested a vinyl shed as her first option and a cedar shed as the second option.

The Committee reviewed the appropriateness of the vinyl shed and concurred that this material for a shed is not appropriate.

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Mary Blair Petiet to Approve the Certificate of Exemption for Kim Sullivan at 45 Cobble Stone Road, Barnstable for a 12' x 14' cedar shed, Option #2.

So Voted Unanimously

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of September 12, 2012

Motion duly made by Mary Blair Petiet, seconded by Elizabeth Nilsson to Approve the Minutes of September 12, 2012 as Amended by Carrie Bearse.

So Voted Unanimously

Having no further business before this Commission, a Motion was duly made by Elizabeth Nilsson, seconded by Mary Blair Petiet to Adjourn the Meeting at 8:07pm.

So Voted Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,
Marylou Fair, Recording Secretary

Exhibit A: File 299/024