Town of Barnstable Old King's Highway Historic District Committee

MINUTES
Wednesday, September 23, 2015
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 Fire Department, 2160 Meetinghouse Way, Barnstable on the following application:

Carrie Bearse	Present
George Jessop	Present
Mary Blair Petiet	Present
Ellen Merritt	Absent
Paul Richard	Present
David Munsell, Jr. (Alternate)	Absent

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 when the application is called.

CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

George, Eric & Priscilla, 2084 Main Street, Barnstable, Map 217, Parcel 026

Construct 2nd Floor to Existing Garage, Rear Dormer, New Front Entry, Windows & Doors (Continued from September 9, 2015)

Represented by Chris Childs, Patriot Builders

Mr. Childs explained that they requested the continuance so that they could submit a site plan as well as a landscape plan. The plan is to construct a 2nd floor on the existing garage, create a new front entryway and a new rear dormer. All roofing and siding will be replaced and they intend to add grills to some of the windows that currently do not have grills. The existing trim is green and they will be repainting it white. Mr. Childs noted that the house sits back approximately 200 feet from the road. Carrie Bearse asked if any of the windows have grills and Mr. Childs replied that some have removable and some do not. They propose to have removable grills for all windows.

Carrie Bearse opened Public Comment

Raymond & Patricia Ryan, abutters to the west, wished to review the site plan and are concerned as to how close to the driveway they are. Mr. Childs explained that the driveway will have approximately a 12' buffer. Ms. Ryan asked if any shrubs or vegetation is planned and Mr. Childs confirmed that whatever is there now will remain. The electric pole may have to be relocated, but the only purpose is to have access to the dwelling.

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Mary Blair Petiet to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness (Exhibit A) for Eric & Priscilla George at 2084 Main Street, Barnstable as Submitted with removable grills for the windows as that is what is existing and any existing buffer for the driveway will remain except what is required for the new driveway. So Voted Unanimously

APPLICATIONS

Johnson, Gail, 2390 Main Street, Barnstable, Map 237, Parcel 024

Construct 34' Dormer on Rear Elevation

Represented by Anne Michniewicz, Architect

NOTE: This application was taken out of order and heard first

Ms. Michniewicz explained the project that consists of the construction of a 34' dormer on the rear elevation. All materials will match existing dwelling including the red cedar roof and shutters. Carrie Bearse asked the members if they had any questions and/or concerns. George Jessop stated it was pretty straight forward.

Motion duly made by Paul Richard, seconded by Mary Blair Petiet to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness (Exhibit B) for Gail Johnson at 2390 Main Street, Barnstable as Submitted. So Voted Unanimously

Sampou, Peter & Bell, Rosalie, 431 Maple Street, West Barnstable, Map 108, Parcel 027

Install Solar Panels on Rear Elevation

Represented by Molly Mahoney, Cotuit Solar and Peter Sampou

Ms. Mahoney stated that 19 black on black solar panels are proposed for the rear elevation. The location of the system is on the 2nd floor dormer and will not be visible from the road or any adjacent property. This is a very remote area and no close neighbors.

Motion duly made by Paul Richard, seconded by Mary Blair Petiet to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness (Exhibit C) for Peter Sampou & Rosalie Bell at 431 Maple Street, West Barnstable as Submitted due to remote location and not visible from any road or neighbor. So Voted Unanimously

Soares, Shirley, 444 Main Street, West Barnstable, Map 133, Parcel 003

Demolition of Single Family Dwelling

Represented by Attorney Peter Sundelin

As Attorney Sundelin was delayed, the members discussed the application without representation. Carrie Bearse reviewed the historic inventory which indicated that the original house burned down and this was originally the barn which was converted to a house in 1920. The house is in disrepair and has been this way for as long as she can remember. Attorney Sundelin arrived and gave a brief history of the many tragedies that affected the family which resulted in the condition of the dwelling. George Jessop noted that the windows appear to be from the 1950's and he does not see anything remaining of the structure that would be considered architecturally significant or noteworthy. Paul Richard agrees and stated that it appears this is a demolition by neglect. Carrie Bearse added that she is normally not in favor of demolition, by any means, but in this case, agrees.

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Paul Richard to Approve the Certificate of Demolition

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Paul Richard to Approve the Certificate of Demolition (Exhibit D) for Shirley Soares at 444 Main Street, West Barnstable as Submitted. So Voted Unanimously

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

August 12, 2015

Motion duly made by Paul Richard, seconded by George Jessop to Approve the Minutes of August 12, 2015 as Submitted.

AYE: Bearse, Jessop, Richard

ABSTAIN: Petiet

August 26, 2015

Motion duly made by Mary Blair Petiet, seconded by George Jessop to Approve the Minutes of August 26, 2015 as Submitted.

AYE: Bearse, Jessop, Petiet

ABSTAIN: Richard

Having no further business before this Committee, a motion was made by Mary Blair Petiet, seconded by Paul Richard to Adjourn the Meeting at 7:02pm. So Voted Unanimously

Respectfully submitted, Marylou Fair Recording Secretary

Exhibit A – Certificate of Appropriateness – File 217/026 dtd 09.23.2015

Exhibit B – Certificate of Appropriateness – File 237/024 dtd 09.23.2015

Exhibit C – Certificate of Appropriateness – File 108/027 dtd 09.23.2015

Exhibit D - Certificate of Demolition - File 133/003 dtd 09.23.2015