



Town of Barnstable
Hyannis Main Street Waterfront Historic District Commission
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To all persons deemed interested or affected by the Town of Barnstable's Hyannis Main Street Waterfront Historic District Commission Ordinance under Chapter 112, Article III of the Code of the Town of Barnstable, you are hereby notified that a hearing is being held at Town Hall, 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA Selectmen's Conference Room, 2nd Floor at 6:30 pm on **Wednesday, September 4, 2019.**

MINUTES

Members Present: Cheryl Powell, Taryn Thoman, Jonathan Kanter, David Dumont, Marina Atsalis, and Jack Kay

Members Absent: Betsy Young, Cecelia Carey, Tim Ferreira and David Colombo

Staff Present: Karen Herrand, Principal Assistant, Planning & Development Dept., Paul Wackrow, Senior Planner, Planning & Development Dept., and Gloria McPherson, Economic Development Coordinator, Planning & Development Dept.

An announcement was made by Cheryl Powell, Chair, stating the meeting is being recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 and in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A, §20; and requested that anyone taping this meeting to please make their presence known. *Please silence your cell phones.*

Call to Order

Chair Cheryl Powell states the proper format for the meeting: Hear the Applicant's first, then open public comment, then close public comment, then Commissioner's discussion. Asks that the Commissioner's to please identify themselves in order so that people are not speaking over each other and all at once.

Roll Call

Welcome to New Members, Special Guests, and Advisors

Chair Cheryl Powell announces the newest member to the Commission, Jack Kay.

Chair Cheryl Powell announces Gloria McPherson, Planning and Economic Development Coordinator in attendance.

Housekeeping

Chair Cheryl Powell asks Commission membership to please notify Staff of any updates and/or changes that need to be made to any of their information for the Commission Membership list.

Chair Cheryl Powell asks the Commissioner's to think about the BHC Award. Agenda item for HHDC to discuss.

Paul Wackrow states that Barnstable BHC will be discussing this – Historic presentation award – October 16th, 2019, HHDC meeting.

Reminder of Commission's Purpose and Proper Procedure

Chair Cheryl Powell reads into record – Chapter 112 §24 Purpose.

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The purpose of this article is to promote the education, cultural, economic and general welfare of the inhabitants of the Town of Barnstable, and the Town's unique community character, through the preservation and protection of the distinctive characteristics of buildings, structures, and places significant in the history and architecture of Barnstable, and through the preservation, maintenance and improvement of appropriate settings for such buildings, structures, and places, and the encouragement of new design which is compatible with the existing historical and community character, and through the benefits resulting to the economy of said Town by preserving and enhancing the amenities and historical aspects of the various villages and areas which make Barnstable a desirable place to live and for tourists to visit.

New Business

Certificate of Appropriateness

Samir P. Ojha d/b/a Ocean Street Market – 50 Ocean St., Hyannis – Map 327 Parcel 264

Business Signage

Harkaias Kandansma in attendance for the Applicant, Samir Ojha. He explains that there is a new business there now and they would like to replace/new signage. He refers to the picture of the proposed signs.

Paul Wackrow explains/reviews the original submitted and the newly proposed submitted designs via monitor. There is an existing cabinet sign on the corner of Ocean Street and Old Colony Road – reface this sign; and a wall sign to be on the front/gable of the bldg.

Marina Atsalis asks about the change in color, to many colors, red, white and blue?

Paul Wackrow replies that they wanted to simplify and make like some of the other signs in the area.

Gilman Silva, contractor for the signs in attendance, he explains that one is an existing sign and the other sign is flat against the wall,. No lights in the free standing sign.

Paul Wackrow gives a history that the last applicant had no internal illumination at that time either.

Gloria McPherson clarifies no lights in the cabinet sign.

Paul Wackrow clarifies that there can be an outside light, ground light can be used.

Chair Cheryl Powell asks for any public comment – none – Public comment is closed.

Dave Dumont comments/suggests that ground lights are prone to damage, maybe a goose neck light on top, and match existing on the building.

Gloria McPherson suggests maybe still do ground light with option if overhead goose neck is to complicated.

Discussion re: lighting – if choose to illuminate have option to put ground light to reflect up or downward if goose neck.

Marina Atsalis thinks the downward is probably better.

Taryn Thoman directs to Dave Dumont about how many lights should be used on each side of the sign, downward lighting.

Jack Kay clarifies LED lighting?

Contractor Gilman Silva has concerns about the security mode of having lights.

Marina Atsalis refers to picture of sign, Exhibit A, already 2 lights on the front of the bldg. for sign. She thinks it would be overdoing the lighting.

Taryn Thoman asks about the condition that states no inside illumination for sign.

Discussion re changing the lighting and possible suggestions.

David Dumont suggests LED in cement with bar to hold it in place. Maintenance is problematic with ground lights.

Contractor and Applicant state that the top would be safer due to destruction. May put lights on with an electrician.

Discussion re lighting for each sign.

Marina Atsalis likes one goose neck light on either side of the sign. Suggests flood lights.

Chair Cheryl Powell clarifies the sizes of the signs and the illumination.

Gloria McPherson clarifies the lighting may need approval from the Bldg. Dept. per light pollution. One goose neck on each side as long as in compliance with the zoning ordinance.

Chair Cheryl Powell motion to make Findings, moves that this application is compatible with the preservation and protection of the district, seconded by David Dumont. Marina Atsalis votes no. The motion passes.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness as described, stipulating the lighting is not to be internal lighting, two goose neck lights at the top of the sign (cabinet sign) one light on each side, per zoning compliance for what kind of bulb to be used, seconded by Taryn Thoman. Marina Atsalis votes no. The motion passes.

Old Business

Referrals to Building Dept.

Paul Wackrow will have to follow up on the 542 Main Street, there has been no response from them.

Other Business

Approval of August 21, 2019, Minutes

Chair Cheryl Powell – correction - add and/or projects – add to page one, third line from bottom of page.

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion to accept the minutes as amended, moved by Dave Dumont, seconded by Jonathan Kanter. Marina Atsalis abstains. The motion passes.

Matters not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair

Taryn Thoman asks about a “sunshine law” Some procedural issues that this Commission is not aware of.

Discussion re amending minutes and procedures.

Chair Cheryl Powell states that some things may not be appropriate to discuss.

Taryn Thoman states that we have been improperly changing minutes. i.e., interchanging a word for another word and omissions. Conflict of interest law, recusals – no one can compel to recuse. Section 19 and Section 23, other facets that can be discussed. On line course dates as well that should be done every two years. Not receiving packages in a timely fashion.

Gloria McPherson replies yes, the Open Meeting Law (OML) and ethics needs to reviewed by members.

Paul Wackrow confirms the timing of sending out packets - Discussion re picking up packets and timely receipt.

Gloria McPherson asks about demolition delays for HHDC – clarification of how done within this Commission and 40C regulations. The Commission can always continue the meeting if unsure about anything.

Paul Wackrow clarifies the extension process. This Commission has more flexibility than Barnstable Historic Commission (BHC).

Next HHDC meeting scheduled for September 18, 2019

Adjournment

Chair Cheryl Powell entertains a motion to adjourn, moved by Jonathan Kanter, so voted unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Karen A. Herrand

List of Exhibit Documents

Exhibit A – Picture of proposed signage – 50 Ocean St., Hyannis – Map/Par 327/264

APPROVED