# Town of Barnstable Old King's Highway Historic District MINUTES

Wednesday, January 12, 2011

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 on the following application:

Committee Members Present: Patricia Anderson, Carrie Bearse and Bill Mullin

Committee Members Absent: Elizabeth Nilsson, George Jessop

Motion duly made Carrie Bearse, seconded by Bill Mullin, that Patricia Anderson be appointed Temporary Chair for this Evening.

AYE: ALL NAY: None

So Voted Unanimously

A quorum being met, Temporary Chair Anderson called the hearing to order at 7:00pm. The Chair explained the hearing and appeal process and invited the public to address the Committee and view the plans of interest.

# **Continued Applications**

# Schilpp, Frederick/Pickman, Carolyn, 115 Rendezvous Lane, Barnstable, Map 279, Parcel 029

New Screened Gazebo, Greenhouse, 2 Shed Dormers, 2 Enlarged Double Hung Windows (Continued from November 10, 2010 & December 08, 2010)

NOTE: This Application was heard out of order of the Agenda

Mr. Schilpp requested an Informal Discussion with the members to discuss possible alternatives to the submitted plans. They do have revised plans, but wished to present a few drawings for the members to review and comment. They have reduced the alterations to a couple of dormers on the front and perhaps a porch. Pat Anderson commented that the drawing indicating the porch was much better, but the dormers, to her, still need work. Chair Anderson also noted that one of the reasons the application was not acted on is that they try to encourage all new construction to be at the back of the home so that you can still determine which is the older portion of the home. The members felt that what was proposed was not appropriate for this house, which was built in the early 1800's. Chair Anderson suggested that the applicant re-submit revised plans before the next meeting or request another Informal Discussion when the Board's architect is present.

#### **New Applications**

#### Ashworth, Craig & Margaret, 205 Old Jail Lane, Barnstable, Map 278, Parcel 002-005

Addition of 8' Dormer on North Elevation, 21' Dormer South Elevation, Door to Replace Window, 8' x 16' Deck Applicant has requested Continuation to January 26, 2011 and an Extension of Time Limit Form has been signed.

# McCarthy, Maureen & Bedard, Lynda, 59 Otter Lane, Barnstable, Map 351, Parcel 010-003

Change of Window Model & Color, Change of Siding Color, Change Rear Elevation, Roof Line and Addition of 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Deck

Represented by Jared West

Mr. West explained that the homeowners were approved for alterations previously; however, they have requested changes that require a new application be filed. The windows will be Andersen per the brochure provided in the packet and the frame color changed to canvas tan and the window frames to black. Carrie Bearse asked what type of grills the windows will have and Mr. West responded that they will be exterior grills per the E series. They would also like to add a deck on the rear of the house. The deck will be approximately 7 feet and will come off the loft. This was living area before and they intend to push the exterior wall back. The shingle color is requested to change to Monterey grey.

Motion duly made by Carrie Bearse, seconded by Bill Mullin to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for Maureen McCarthy & Lynda Bedard at 59 Otter Lane Barnstable as Submitted. So Voted Unanimously

# Hoffstein, Richard & Beverly, 44 Holway Drive, W. Barnstable, Map 136, Parcel 032

New Addition to Rear & Left of House, Re-Build Deck

Represented by Steve Cook

Mr. Cook stated that the homeowners would like to propose a new addition to the left side of the home and expand it on the rear and to re-build an existing deck. This will bump out the main body of the house approximately 8 feet. All construction will match what is there for trim and siding.

Pat Anderson noted that the specification sheet indicates azek to match existing and a review of the records show no approval by this board for azek. Steve Cook noted that this is a high wind, high weather area and that azek would be a preferable material. Mr. Cook also noted that he is not stating on the specification sheet that there is azek existing on the main portion of the house. When he indicates on the specification sheet "to match existing" he meant the dimensions not the material. He agreed that they could change the material from azek to bodyquard.

Carrie Bearse asked if the casing on the deck will be changed to something other than azek as well and Mr. Cook agreed that bodyguard can replace the casing on the deck and that the posts will be white. Carrie Bearse then asked what type of grills are on the front of the house and Mr. Cook indicated that they are snap in grills, but that the ones for the new addition will have grills between the glass. The windows on the back of the house will have no grills to match the existing.

Motion duly made by Carrie Bearse, seconded by Bill Mullin to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for Richard & Beverly Hoffstein at 44 Holway Drive, W. Barnstable with Modifications to reflect bodyguard will be used in place of azek and the windows on the west elevation will have grills between the glass to match the front of the house.

So Voted Unanimously

# Bunnell, Mathew & Jennifer, 897 Main Street, W. Barnstable, Map 156, Parcel 007

Construct 48' x 36' Barn

Represented by Mark Clancy, Pine Harbor Wood Products

Mr. Clancy submitted plans with dimensions as he received a telephone call from staff requesting that he do so. That is the only change to the plans. Trim will be pine with white stain and white cedar shingles. Pat Anderson commented that the barn is 48' long in the back and noted that there is no break. Typically, if something is that long they like to see a break. Mr. Clancy noted that the location is far back on the property and backs up to old oil tanks. Pat Anderson asked how they would access it and Mr. Clancy indicated that there is a rutted drive existing and no new driveway is proposed.

Motion duly made by Bill Mullin, seconded by Carrie Bearse to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for Mathew & Jennifer Bunnell at 897 Main Street, W. Barnstable as Submitted. So Voted Unanimously

# Berube, Edward, 94 Mill Way, Barnstable, Map 300, Parcel 039

Construct 24' x 36' Barn & Stone Retaining Wall

Represented by Mark Clancy, Pine Harbor Wood Products

A Letter was received from abutter David Weber and was read into the record (Exhibit 1)

Pat Anderson noted that this Committee has no jurisdiction on the use of the structure as mentioned in Mr. Weber's letter. They also have no jurisdiction on Conservation. They reviewed the aesthetics of the project for appropriateness.

Mr. Clancy noted that he has revised plans that staff suggested he submit with dimensions. He also notes that they did change the slider doors from two proposed to one as outlined on the south elevation. The door on the front is an 8x8 sliding door that opens to reveal a large space. The color of the door is proposed to be roycroft bottle green.

Bill Mullin asked if the new barn would go over the foundation of the previous barn which is depicted in the photos that were submitted with the application. Mr. Clancy stated that they actually moved it over to save the trees between the two properties. Pat Anderson asked if all the trees would remain and Mr. Clancy noted that one tree in the rear will have to be taken down as the roots are exposed in the old foundation hole.

Pat Anderson inquired where access is and what material. Mr. Clancy indicated that currently there is a gravel driveway and a catch basin which is accessed from Lowell Drive. Ms. Anderson also noted that azek is proposed for the trim material and Mr. Clancy agreed that this could be changed to pine trim.

Motion duly made by Carrie Bearse, seconded by Bill Mullin to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for Edward Berube at 94 Mill Way, Barnstable as Modified with revised plans received 1/12/2011 indicating one basement door on the south elevation and that trim will be pine.

So Voted Unanimously

# Lento, William, 229 Percival Drive, W. Barnstable, Map 110, Parcel 001-004

New Front Entryway

Represented by William Lento

Mr. Lento explained that he feels the front of his house is very plain and flat. He is trying to dress up the front of the house. Pat Anderson pointed out that the house has a great hip roof, very colonial and believes this design with the two columns on each side is a bit much for this home. Bill Mullin agrees and suggests a single column on each side of the entryway. Mr. Lento commented that he appreciates the member's comments and agrees with the changes.

Motion duly made by Bill Mullin, seconded by Carrie Bearse to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for William Lento at 229 Percival Drive, W. Barnstable as Modified to reflect the decrease from four columns to two columns, one on each side of the capital centered. So Voted Unanimously

# Mass Dept of Transportation (MassDOT) Highway Division

Removal of 44 Trees along Route 6A Barnstable Village and West Barnstable (See Attached Outline of Locations)

NOTE: This Application was heard out of order of the Agenda

• See Certificate of Exemption Received for Removal of Tree on Private Property Petiet, Mary Blair, 2198 Main Street, W. Barnstable, Map 237, Parcel 010

Represented by Matt Broderick, Mass Dept of Transportation

Also present Ann Canedy and Hank Farnham, Town Councilors and Charlie Genatossio, Barnstable Tree Warden Chair Anderson read into the record letters received from Jean Ahonen, John Meagher and Carl Johnson, all of West Barnstable. (Exhibits #2, 3 & 4) Mr. Johnson questioned the removal of several trees and Chair Anderson asked the Town Tree Warden, Charlie Genatossio to comment. Mr. Genatossio stated that they have done a site visit for each tree proposed to be taken down. The three trees in front of the Art Gallery that Mr. Johnson notes in his letter were reviewed again and they determined that they are decayed branches over the road and if you cut the branches there is an unbalanced tree. Ann Canedy stated that they did try very hard to save these trees, but they were unsalvageable. Two other trees identified in Mr. Johnson's letter, across from 2225 Main and 2286 Main were able to be saved.

Ann Canedy also wished to comment that after the independent survey from the Rte 6A committee, they went out and reviewed each tree and they are in agreement with the State on most of the trees with the exception of approximately 10. The State agreed to mark all the trees and another review was done on the ones in questions. The Independent Rte 6A Committee submitted another summary and there are some that they are in agreement with the State and the State agreed that some could be saved.

Chair Anderson wished to note that The Rte 6A Committee has done a tremendous amount of work in addition to getting the word out to the public. She thanks the members and Mr. Broderick for their effort and cooperation. She wished to know if when they remove the tree, will they grind the stump as well. Ann Canedy answered that this contract before us is just to cut the tree. According to the Projects Department, they will come back to grind and loam at a latter date.

Chair Anderson also commented that there needs to be replacement trees for the ones that have been removed. She understands this is not Mr. Broderick's department; however, this Committee will be hesitant to approve additional tree removals if this does not occur.

A detailed discussion followed regarding the trees that the Route 6A Committee wished to save. Mr. Broderick submitted Right of Entry Forms from homeowners on which trees will be removed from their properties.

Motion duly made by Carrie Bearse, seconded by Bill Mullin to Approve the Application for Removal of Trees as Submitted with the EXCEPTION of the following, per documentation from the Independent Route

6A Committee: Tree #2 will be re-evaluated once Tree #1 is removed, Trees #2, 19, 24, 25, 26, 28, 33 & 39 will all be saved and all others that are removed will have stumps ground at a later date. So Voted Unanimously

# **Informal Discussion**

#### Town of Barnstable, DPW

Oak Street Rehabilitation Project

Represented by Roger Parson, DPW

Mr. Parson explained that they enlisted the services of Coler & Colantonio Engineers from Norwood and John Morgan was present as well. Mr. Parson noted that a survey was done and they would like to rehabilitate the road surface and update the water drainage systems, some of which goes onto private property. They will basically be staying within the existing footprint, however, they want to be consistent, however the current footprint is not due to erosion and patching. They would like to proceed this spring and do not anticipate any issue with other departments such as Conservation. They will not be removing any stone walls or trees.

John Morgan of Coler & Colantonio Engineers added that Oak Street is currently in poor conditions and edge failure as well. Current width varies between 24-26 feet, most of which is 26 feet and they will look to reconstruct at a consistent 26 feet. The process will be to grind up existing pavement and create a mix that they will use as a new base and pave over. Pat Anderson asked if there would be 1 or 2 lifts. Mr. Parson explained that 1 lift is proposed, but it depends on what is discovered once work begins.

# West Barnstable Historical Society Mr. Wolfgang Fattler

Plagues for Historic Homes

Mr. Fattler requested a postponement to a later date

# **Certificate of Exemptions**

Petiet, Mary Blair, 2198 Main Street, W. Barnstable, Map 237, Parcel 010

Removal of Rotted Tree

Motion duly made by Carrie Bearse, seconded by Bill Mullin to Approve the Certificate of Exemption for the removal of an additional tree in conjunction with the Approval of the Mass Highway Application for Mary Blair Petiet at 2198 Main Street, W. Barnstable.

So voted Unanimously

#### **Extension Requests**

# **Town of Barnstable, MEA, Barnstable Harbor Camera Project**

One Year Extension Requested (Application Approved 1/27/2010)

Motion duly made by Carrie Bearse, seconded by Bill Mullin to Approve the One Year Extension for Town of Barnstable, MEA at Barnstable Harbor for the Camera Project to 01/27/2012 So Voted Unanimously

#### Other Business

#### **Recommendation to Town Council to Appoint Alternate Member**

Ellen Merritt's resume was reviewed and the members believe she would be an asset to the Board as an Alternate Member.

Motion duly made by Carrie Bearse, seconded by Bill Mullin to send a Letter to Town Council recommending Ellen Merritt as an Alternate Member to the Old King's Highway Committee. So Voted Unanimously

**Election of Officers** 

Pat Anderson stated that the Clerk and Chair need to be elected each January for the current calendar year.

Pat Anderson Nominates Carrie Bearse as Clerk. Bill Mullin seconds the nomination.

AYE: Anderson, Mullin

Pat Anderson Nominates George Jessop as Chair. Bill Mullin seconds the nomination.

AYE: Anderson, Bearse, Mullin

#### **Correspondence Received**

#### EBI Consulting Letter dated 12/13/2010

Invitation to Comment - Unitarian Church, 3330 Main Street, Barnstable

Proposed Telecommunications Installation

The submitted materials were reviewed and Chair Anderson asked if any of the structure will be seen. Bill Mullin commented that he believes that the transmitters do not transmit through wood and the current wooden shutters may need to be replaced with another material. Carrie Bearse recommends that Pat Anderson follow up with staff to send a letter regarding their questions.

# **Approval of Minutes**

Approval of December 08, 2010 Minutes

Motion duly made by Carrie Bearse, seconded by Pat Anderson to Approve the Minutes of December 08, 2010 as clarified.

AYE: Anderson, Bearse

**ABSTAIN: Mullin** 

Having no further business before this Committee, a motion was duly made by Carrie Bearse, seconded by Bill Mullin to Adjourn the Meeting at 8:35pm.

So Voted Unanimously

Respectfully submitted, Marylou Fair, Recording Secretary