

TOWN OF ABINGDON
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 4, 2013 - 5:15 P.M.

The regular meeting for the Board of Architectural Review was held on Wednesday, September 4, 2013, at 5:15 P.M. The meeting was held in the Municipal Building, downstairs meeting room.

Dr. Charles M. Owens, Chairman, called the meeting to order. Mr. Taylor called the roll.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Dr. Charles M. Owens, Chairman
Mrs. Betsy White
Mr. Byrum Geisler
Mr. Peyton Boyd

Comprising a quorum of the Board

Members Absent: None (Jason Berry-no longer a member and will be replaced)

Administrative Staff: Mr. W. Garrett Jackson, Assistant Town Manager
Director of Planning/Zoning (Absent)
Mr. Sean C. Taylor, Assistant Director Planning/Zoning
Mrs. Deborah Icenhour, Town Attorney
Ms. Rebecca Moody, Environmental Planner/
Sustainability Coordinator (Absent)

Visitors: Mr. Thomas Rakoczy
Mrs. Jan Hurt
Mr. Carl Mallory

(2) Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting, August 7, 2013

Mrs. White made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular meeting, August 7, 2013, as presented. Mr. Geisler seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

(3) CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS - **Thomas and Penelope Rakoczy**, 139 West Valley Street, Abingdon, VA 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of privacy fence to be located at rear of property located at 139 West Valley Street. Tax Map No. 12 (1) 9.

Mr. Rakoczy explained that this is a request for approval of privacy fence to be located at rear of property located at 139 West Valley Street. The proposed privacy fence will be used as a means to enclose table with chairs, fire pit constructed of stone and possibly a hot tub at a later date. The fence will be 20 ft. x 50 ft. in size, constructed of 1 in. x 6 in. yellow pine boards and 4 in. x 4 in. posts, attached with steel brackets, gray in color. The boards and posts will be stained with a clear coat color stain.

After discussion, Mrs. White made a motion to approve the fence as presented. Mr. Geisler seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

- (4) DISCUSSION - Jan Hurt requests relocation of "Playhouse Structure" from 231 West Main Street to property located at 254 East Valley Street.

Mrs. Hurt explained that she is interested in purchasing the "Playhouse Structure" located at 231 West Main Street and relocating the structure to the vacant lot beside 254 East Valley Street. She further stated that she is currently inquiring as to if and how the structure can be moved in a safe manner, also, if the Board of Architectural Review would allow for the structure to be relocated to the Old & Historic District.

After discussion, Mrs. White made a motion to approve the relocation of the "Playhouse Structure", to the vacant lot beside 254 East Valley Street. Mr. Geisler seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

- (5) CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS - Carl and Polly Mallory, 112 East Main Valley Street, Abingdon, VA 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of landscaping for property located at 112 East Main Street. Tax Map No. 12 (1) 100.

Mr. Mallory explained that he is requesting approval of landscaping for property located at 112 East Main Street. The purpose for the landscaping is to present a privacy setting between this property and the property located at 115 East Main Street.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the request, with several suggestions and options being offered by the Board members, however, approval of landscaping is a matter not required to be approved per the Guidelines.

Mr. Mallory thanked the Board for their review and suggestions. He will review options discussed with Mrs. Mallory and, if need be, the applicant will return to the Board for further advice.

There being no further business, motion was made to adjourn this meeting. The motion was seconded, with unanimous approval. The meeting was adjourned.

Dr. Charles M. Owens, Chairman

Sean C. Taylor, Secretary