TOWN OF ABINGDON HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018 – 5:15 P.M. ARTHUR CAMPBELL MEETING ROOM – MUNICIPAL BUILDING

A Regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board was held on Wednesday, August 1, 2018 at 5:15 pm in the Arthur Campbell Meeting Room in the Municipal Building.

A. WELCOME by Jeff Johnson - Chairman

B. ROLL CALL - Jason Boswell, Interim Director of Planning

Members of the Board Present: Mr. Michael Weaver

Mr. Andrew Neese Mr. Byrum Geisler Mr. Jeff Johnson

Members of the Board Absent: Mr. Derek Webb

Comprising a quorum of the Board

Administrative/Town Staff: Jason Boswell, Interim Director of Planning

Janice Dornon, Administrative Assistant

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Geisler, the Board approved the following minutes for:

June 6, 2018 Regular meeting as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver Aye

Mr. Neese Abstained – (he was not present at the June 6,

2018 meeting)

Mr. Geisler Aye Mr. Johnson Aye

Minutes for July 11, 2018 were tabled. Only one member was present at the August 1, 2018 meeting that were present at the July 11th meeting. Mr. Johnson was not present at the July 11, 2018 meeting.

D. CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

1. Certificate of Appropriateness - Greeko's Grill & Café, Mustafa Ahmed, owner; Mustafa Ahmed: representative. 217 W. Main Street, Abingdon VA 24210: application for Certificate of Appropriateness for signage. Located at 217 W. Main Street (Parcel No. 012-1-71)

Mr. Mustafa Ahmed represented Greeko's Grill & Café. He is requesting to replace two of the signs presently located on the site. The third sign will be grandfathered in as with the previous owner's request. The new signage will be the same size, same shape and using the same material as the existing signs. Square footage of the signs will not be a factor due to the business being a restaurant.

In light of replicating the existing signage, a motion was made by Mr. Geisler to approve the request for the COA for signage as presented. Second by Mr. Neese.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver	Aye
Mr. Neese	Aye
Mr. Geisler	Aye
Mr. Johnson	Aye

The board approved the COA request for signage at 217 W. Main Street.

2. Certificate of Appropriateness – Persnickety, David Everest, owner; 203 W. Main Street, Abingdon VA 24210: Jessica Adkins, Jerry's Signs Inc., representative; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for signage. Located at 203 W. Main Street (Parcel No. 012-1-27)

Ms. Elaine Everest represented Persnickety. They are requesting to suspend a sign by chain links and hooks under the awning at 203 W. Main Street. Sign was fabricated by

Jerry's Sings, Inc. Sign is black and white and within regulation size. Printed signage on the windows is allowed. Jerry's Sign will be installing the sign.

Mr. Johnson questioned the photos of the signage on the storefront that were included in the COA. Mr. Boswell confirmed the ordinance only considers freestanding signs.

Mr. Geisler made a motion to approve the COA request for signage as presented. Second by Mr. Weaver.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver	Aye
Mr. Neese	Aye
Mr. Geisler	Aye
Mr. Johnson	Aye

The board approved the COA request for signage at 203 W. Main Street.

3. Certificate of Appropriateness – Byrd Properties Limited Partnership; Owner, Hugh Belcher; representative: 252 W. Main St. Ste 6, Abingdon VA 24210: application for Certificate of Appropriateness for signage. Located at 182 E. Main Street (Parcel No. 013-1-108)

Mr. Hugh Belcher represented Byrd Properties Limited Partnership for Secure Trust Insurance Services. They will be using the same sign fabricator that Linda Wise has used in the past. He was not sure of which company that was at the time. The sign will be two sided carved polymer attached to the building façade.

Mr. Weaver made a motion to approve the COA request for signage as presented. Second by Mr. Neese.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver	Aye
Mr. Neese	Aye
Mr. Geisler	Aye
Mr. Johnson	Aye

The board approved the COA request for signage at 182 E. Main Street.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

F. OLD BUSINESS/MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Boswell updated the board about the existing problems with Ms. Anne Hutton's property on Valley Street. Per the Planning Commission, Ms. Hutton was cited for violations for neglecting her yard. After being cited, Ms. Hutton property is showing progress. The guttering on the house was cleaned out, most of the trees in the front yard where removed. Rotting boards were replaced and painted white. The Town of Abingdon Public Works Department will repair the "as is" hand railing at the street due to it being a safety issue. The replacement of the railing would have to wait due to the lack of town funds to replace it. Work needs to be done on the rotting steps, the shutters and the guttering. Mr. Johnson noted that some of the landscaping needs to be taken down. Mr. Boswell asked the board if they would like the replacement of the handrail to come before the board for consideration. The board agreed that this is a maintenance issue and does not need to come before the board.

G. ANNOUNCEMENTS

H. ADJOURNMENT

On Motion by Mr. Neese, seconded by Mr. Weaver, for the Board to adjourn the meeting.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver Aye
Mr. Neese Aye
Mr. Geisler Aye
Mr. Johnson Aye

Mr. Johnson declared the meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 5:38 P. M.

Jeff Johnson, Chairman

Jason Boswell, Interim Director of Planning