

TOWN OF ABINGDON
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW
SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 11, 2002 - 1:45 P.M.

A Special Meeting of the Board of Architectural Review was held on Monday, March 11, 2002, at 1:45 P.M. The meeting was held in the Municipal Building, Downstairs Meeting Room.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Fred St. John, Vice-Chairman.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mr. Fred H. St. John, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Lois H. Humphreys
Mr. Andrew Hargroves

Comprising a quorum of the Board

Members Absent: Mr. Charles R. Day, Chairman
Mrs. Betsy White

Administrative Staff: Mr. Albert C. Bradley, Director of Planning/Zoning

Visitors: Mr. Daniel H. Caldwell

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(2) Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting, February 5, 2002

Motion was made by Mrs. Humphreys, seconded by Mr. Hargroves, and unanimously resolved to approve minutes of the Regular Meeting, February 5, 2002.

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(3) Certificate of Appropriateness - **Daniel H. & Cassandra Caldwell**, 200 Pecan Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of driveway and parking area to be located at **200 Pecan Street. Tax Map No. 13 (1) 52. (Continued discussion regarding type of material to be used for driveway and parking area).**

This was a continued discussion regarding the type of materials to be used for the driveway and parking area located at 200 Pecan Street. The layout of driveway and parking area were approved at the Regular Meeting, February 5, 2002, however, the materials to be used in construction of driveway and parking area were tabled for further discussion.

Mr. Caldwell had previously requested that asphalt be allowed in construction of driveway and parking area, instead of pea gravel, due to dust and noise from the pea gravel being a nuisance to deck area, as well as to adjoining property owners.

Mr. Caldwell advised that Abingdon Grading and Paving did not recommend the use of pea gravel or asphalt/pea gravel combination for these areas. He further stated that he has looked at a brick impression on asphalt but, due to the cost, he would rather pursue asphalt pavement.

Mrs. Humphreys commented that the driveway area for law firm across the street was *not* approved for asphalt pavement. She will check with them to see if there is any objection to asphalt pavement being approved for this request.

After discussion, Mr. Hargroves made a motion that the matter be tabled, allowing time for Mr. Caldwell to pursue the matter further. Mrs. Humphreys seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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- (5) Certificate of Appropriateness - **First Residential Mortgage, (Lora Firebaugh, Representative)**, 185 East Valley Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of one (1) sign to be located at **185 East Valley Street. Tax Map No. 13 (1) 4A. (Continued discussion).**

This request was tabled from the Regular Meeting, February 5, 2002, for redesign and display of the requested sign.

The sign will be located at 185 East Valley Street. The proposed sign will be 18 in. x 24 in. in size, with burgundy background, white lettering and black border. The proposed sign will read "FIRST RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION" and will be displayed by one of the two following options:

Option 1 Sign will be attached to existing sign of White Law Office. Due to the existing sign having a middle post structure the proposed sign for First Residential Mortgage will need to be a two part sign. The two part sign will look as one as it will have end caps on both sides eliminating the perspective of having two signs

Option 2 Sign will be solely placed by itself on the property of 185 East Valley Street, out of Town easement area as such sign located at Scyphers & Austin Law Office, next door to White Law Office.

After discussion, Mr. Hargroves made a motion that the sign be approved, subject to the sign being no more than 4 sq. ft., with the approval of **Option 1**. Mrs. Humphreys seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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There being no further business, a motion was made and duly seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Fred H. St. John, Vice-Chairman

Albert C. Bradley, Secretary