

TOWN OF ABINGDON
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 4, 2002 - 1:45 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Architectural Review was held on Tuesday, June 4, 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. Charles R. Day, Chairman.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mr. Charles R. Day, Chairman
Mrs. Lois H. Humphreys
Mrs. Betsy White

Comprising a quorum of the Board

Members Absent: Mr. Andrew Hargroves

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

Visitors: Mr. Thomas Phillips, Council Member
Mr. Sam Hurt
Mr. Martin Wegbreit, Attorney
Mr. Bob Bundy, Architect
Mr. Timothy R. Thompson
Ms. Ellie Pickrell

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- (2) Approval of Minutes: Special Meeting, March 11, 2002
Regular Meeting, April 2, 2002
Regular Meeting, May 7, 2002
Special Meeting, May 15, 2002

Motion was made by Mrs. Humphreys, seconded by Mrs. White, and unanimously resolved to approve minutes of the Special Meeting, March 11, 2002, Regular Meeting, April 2, 2002, Regular Meeting, May 7, 2002 and Special Meeting, May 15, 2002.

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- (3) Certificate of Appropriateness - **Martin Wegbreit & Diane F. Duseau**, 143 West Valley Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of replacement of new, green, metal roof on structure located at 143 West Valley Street. **Tax Map No. 12 (1) 8.**

This is a request for approval of the, recently installed, replacement roof on structure located at 143 West Valley Street. The new roof is metal, green in color, and very similar to the original roof that was removed.

Mrs. White explained that the purpose for requiring the applicants to submit an application to the Board, for the approval of this roof, is due to the fact that the Board is trying very hard to standardize the process to avoid problems that arise and suggest better alternatives sometimes.

After discussion, Mrs. White made a motion that the roof, as installed, be approved. Mrs. Humphreys seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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- (4) Certificate of Appropriateness – **Katherine Galloway**, 120 East Valley Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of proposed addition to existing structure located at 120 East Valley Street. **Tax Map No. 12 (1) 46. (Tabled from Regular Meeting, May 7, 2002, for further information).**

This is a request for approval of a proposed addition to the rear of existing structure located at 120 East Valley Street. The existing rear porch will be removed and replaced with an addition 12' x 14' in size, to consist of a handicap bedroom addition on main floor and will be visible from Plumb Alley.

The proposed addition will be constructed to match existing structure as follows

- brick foundation
- white wood trim to match existing porch
- lower portion to be green shakes to match existing dormer
- metal roof
- white double hung windows

After discussion, Mrs. Humphreys made a motion that the application be approved. Mrs. White seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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- (5) Certificate of Appropriateness - **Timothy R. and Mary C. Thompson**, 171 West Main Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness to remove existing tile roof and replace with architectural shingle roof on existing structure located at 171 West Main Street. **Tax Map No. 12 (1) 73. (Tabled from the Regular Meeting, April 2, 2002, for study of roofing options).**

This application was discussed at the Regular Meeting, April 2, 2002, however, after discussion with the owners regarding the roof to be replaced on this structure and, having found some alternative sources for materials and labor, the request was tabled for further investigation.

- Option 1 – repair damaged areas, replacing roof pitch and ridge pieces with terra cotta tiles, and re-roof sunroom, that is beyond roofing repair, with existing tiles, at a cost of \$9,000, with no guarantee of workmanship.
- Option 2 - replace entire roof, with Santa Fe tiles, with felt; very similar to existing tiles, with 50 year warranty at a cost of \$15,500.00.
- Option 3 – replace with asphalt shingles, including chimney repairs, with a 30 year warranty, at a cost of \$1,960.00

Mr. Thompson advised that due to costs involved, he again, is renewing the request for approval by the Board to approve asphalt shingles.

Mr. Day quoted from the Design Review Guidelines, No. 38 (B) the following: "may be re-roofed with substitute materials such as asphalt or fiberglass shingles if the original materials are no longer present or if the retention of the original roof material is not economically feasible."

After discussion, Mrs. White made a motion that the request for asphalt shingles be approved. Mrs. Humphreys seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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Discussion - Proposed Revision of Historic District Ordinance

Councilman Tom Phillips stated that in January, the Town Council was asked to approve the submission for approval of recommendation of revision of the Historic District Ordinance. In order to apply for status of Certified Local Government with the Virginia Department of Historic Resources, the town already has an ordinance and review process in place, and by becoming Certified Local Government the Board of Architectural Review would assume a greater role in identification and nomination of historic properties to the national register. Much of the survey work for acceptance by the National Register of Historic Places, as eligible properties, has been completed, with survey files located in the office of the Washington County Historical Society.

Several steps required:

- revise ordinance
- review ordinance with Board of Architectural Review and Planning Commission, and then go back to the Town Council

Mr. Sam Hurt has been corresponding with Ann Address, State Grants Administrator. He suggested that Ms. Address and Paige Weiss, Coordinator for Certified Local Programs, be invited to Abingdon for discussion on this proposal.

A Special Meeting will be held in mid-July for further discussion.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 P.M.

Charles R. Day, Chairman

Albert C. Bradley, Secretary