

TOWN OF ABINGDON
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 2, 2003 - 12:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the Town of Abingdon, Board of Architectural Review, was held on Wednesday, July 2, 2003, at 12:00 P.M. The meeting was held in the Municipal Building, Downstairs Conference Room.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Charles R. Day, Chairman.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mr. Charles R. Day, Chairman
Mrs. Betsy White
Mr. Andrew Hargroves
Mrs. Doris Shuman
Mr. Thomas C. Phillips, Jr.

Comprising a quorum of the Board

Members Absent: None

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

Visitors: Mr. Sam Hurt

- (2) Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting, May 7, 2003
Special Meeting, June 5, 2003

Regular Meeting, May 7, 2003

Motion was made by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mrs. Shuman and unanimously resolved to approve minutes of the Regular Meeting, May 7, 2003.

Special Meeting, June 5, 2003

Motion was made by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mrs. Shuman and unanimously resolved to amend and approve minutes of the Special Meeting, June 5, 2003, to read as follows:

Page 03-23, second paragraph:

FROM: There being no further business, Mr. Phillips made a motion that the meeting be adjourned but continue on as a work session for discussion of the **REVIEW GUIDELINES, Old and Historic Zoning District**. Mrs. Shuman seconded the motion, with unanimous approval. The meeting was adjourned at 12:24 P.M.

TO: There being no further business, Mr. Phillips made a motion that the meeting be adjourned **and suggested that the review of the guidelines be continued at this meeting today, depending on availability of time**. Mrs. Shuman seconded the motion, with unanimous approval. The meeting was adjourned at 12:24 P.M.

- (3) **Certificate of Appropriateness - F. Anne Johnson, DDS, PC**, 543 Greenhill Drive, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of one (1) sign to be located at **160 East Valley Street. Tax Map No. 13 (1) 50.**

This is a request for approval of sign to be located at 160 East Valley Street. The proposed sign size will be 18 in. x 30 in., background color will be white, with black lettering and border. The sign will be mounted on black metal pole and will read “F. ANNE JOHNSON, DDS, PC. Family Dentistry”, with design and underline being dark blue in color.

After discussion, Mrs. Shuman made a motion that this request be approved. Mr. Hargroves seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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- (4) **Certificate of Appropriateness - David L. Scyphers and R. Wayne Austin, (R. Wayne Austin, Representative)**, 189 East Valley Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to replace existing metal roof with baked on metal roof on existing structure located at **185 East Valley Street (White Law Office). Tax Map No. 13 (1) 4A.**

This is a request for approval to replace existing metal roof on structure located at 185 East Valley Street. The proposed new roof will be a baked-on, 29-gauge prime panel metal roof, red in color.

After discussion, Mrs. White made a motion that this application be tabled until such time that Mr. Austin can furnish a sample of proposed metal roof that better meets the guidelines, for viewing by the Board. Mrs. Shuman seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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- (5) **Certificate of Appropriateness - Chris Johnson**, 133 East Valley Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of the following changes for property located at **133 East Valley Street. Tax Map No. 12 (1) 28.** (1) design in fence (previously approved), (2) one sign and (3) front door.

This is a request for approval of the following for property located at 133 East Valley Street:

1. Design in fence – the previously approved fence was to be 7 ft. in height with solid picket 6 ft. x 6 in., with lattice top. The requested design change will be same type fence, being 7 ft. in height with dog-eared top having wide board straight across, with slight angle cut and no lattice. The fence will be painted greenish/blue, (same color as sign the post).

After discussion, Mrs. White made a motion that this request be approved. Mrs. Shuman seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

2. Approval of one (1) sign – the proposed sign size will be 24 in. x 18 in., background color will be dark blue, with bronze lettering and copper border. The sign will be mounted on wooden post. The post will be painted greenish/blue, with lantern on top of sign. The lettering on sign will read “COPPER LANTERN INN 1873, 276-739-2308”

After discussion, Mrs. Shuman made a motion that this request be approved. Mrs. White seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

- 3. Front door - request to insert glass panel, behind existing glass, in front door with colored stained glass panel. The stained glass panel will contain address of black wrought iron or lead, pine cone design and copper lantern – with all matching colors.

After discussion, Mrs. White made a motion that this request be tabled for further discussion, giving Board members the opportunity to view glass panel. Mr. Hargroves seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

- (6) **Certificate of Appropriateness - James “Randy” R. Harris, 155 Valley Street, N.W., Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of picket fence to be located at 155 Valley Street, N.W. Tax Map No. 12 (6) 9, 10.**

This is a request for approval of picket fence to be located at 155 Valley Street, N.W.

The proposed fence will be 40 – 50 feet in length, constructed of 3½ inch, salt treated pickets, with a total fence height of 36 inches. The fence will be approximately 81 feet in length, and will divide the side yards between the Morefield property, and the Harris property, on the agreed property line. The fence will be stained a medium gray or any recommended by the Board.

After discussion, Mrs. Shuman made a motion that this request be approved. Mrs. White seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

- (7) **Certificate of Appropriateness - James “Randy” R. Harris, 155 Valley Street, N.W., Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of retainer wall along northern property boundary of Harris property, adjoined by the Town of Abingdon right of way of King Street. The Harris property is located at 155 Valley Street, N.W. Tax Map No. 12 (6) 9, 10.**

The retainer wall, to be constructed of “Allen” type block without mortar was been previously approved by this Board. The property owner reviewed and discussed the project with Mr. C. M. Vernon, Jr., Director of Public Works and Mr. G. M. Newman, Town Manager. An agreement was reached that half the cost of this retainer wall, would be assumed by the Town, contingent upon the obtaining of bids from contractors in the area, with acceptance of the bid by both parties. It was stipulated that this retainer wall, if sponsored in part by the Town of Abingdon, would have to be constructed to specific Department of Transportation specifications, which are for a RW-2 wall.

The proposed wall will be a concrete retainer wall 67 feet long and 5 feet tall. The fence will be vertical to the terrain, and gray in color. There will be hooks or loops of a non-corrosive metal placed at 4-foot intervals, along the visible side of the wall, in order that hanging plants or vines can be hung from the wall to improve its appearance.

After discussion, Mrs. Shuman made a motion that this request be approved. Mr. Phillips seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

The Board will have a continuation of this meeting on Wednesday, July 9, 2003 at 12:00 for further discussion of Item 4 (roof materials) and Item 5 (glass panel for door). Also, a

work session for continued discussion of the **REVIEW GUIDELINES, Old and Historic Zoning District.**

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There being further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Charles R. Day, Chairman

Albert C. Bradley, Secretary