

TOWN OF ABINGDON  
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW  
SPECIAL MEETING  
OCTOBER 16, 2000 - 1:30 P.M.

A Special Meeting of the Board of Architectural Review was held on Monday, October 16, 2000, at 1:30 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  
Mr. Fred H. St. John, Vice-Chairman  
Mrs. Lois H. Humphreys

Comprising a quorum of the Board

Members Absent: Mr. E. L. Gardner

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

Visitors: Mr. Emmitt F. Yeary

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- (2) Certificate of Appropriateness – **Emmitt F. Yeary**, P. O. Box 1685, Abingdon, Virginia 24212; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to construct log building, to be located **on lot behind 171 East Main Street, between Valley Street and Plumb Alley (beside telephone tower). Tax Map No. 13 (1) 48.**

This is a request to erect a log structure, with the possibility of adding an extension to the structure now or later, on vacant lot behind 171 East Main Street, between Valley Street and Plumb Alley. The structure is being relocated from Buchanan County, and would be located approximately 35 feet from Plumb Alley, with front of structure facing Plumb Alley.

The structure is 100+ years old , 32 ft. wide, with 8 ft. porch and constructed of “poplar wood” logs. It is proposed that the existing porch would be replaced with a 10 ft. porch constructed of cedar lumber. The foundation/pillars and chimney will be constructed of limestone with the entire structure being erected as historically correct as possible. The type of roof to be used is undetermined at this point, however, it will probably be some type of tin roof to be painted after weathering or, possibly, cedar shakes.

The landscaping will be per guidelines, including evergreens. There will be green spaces 5 ft. off Plumb Alley, with split rail fencing or picket fence, leaving spaces close by on adjoining lots for parking.

Mr. Yeary advised that the Building Inspector has advised if a structure is designated as historical, certain benefits will be applied under the Building Code. The Board of Architectural Review declared this structure to be historical.

Mr. Yeary also stated that, at the present time, it is undetermined as to what the use of the structure will be, possibly an office, bed and breakfast, rental property, however, it is felt that it will be an asset to the Historic District.

After discussion, motion was made by Mr. St. John that the application be approved, as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Humphreys, with unanimous approval.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Charles R. Day, Chairman

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Albert C. Bradley, Secretary