

TOWN OF ABINGDON  
 BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW  
 SPECIAL MEETING  
 JANUARY 11, 2011 - 5:15 P.M.

A special meeting of the Board of Architectural Review was held Tuesday, January 11, 2011 at 5:15 P.M. The meeting was held in the downstairs meeting room of the Municipal Building.

Dr. Charles M. Owens, Chairman, called the meeting to order. Mr. Taylor called the roll.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:                   Dr. Charles M. Owens, Chairman  
   Mr. Jason Berry  
   Mr. Byrum Geisler  
   Mrs. Doris Shuman

Comprising a quorum of the Board

Members Absent:                   Mr. Peyton Boyd

Administrative Staff:           Mr. W. Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning/Zoning  
   Mr. Sean Taylor, Assistant Director Planning/Zoning  
   Mrs. Deborah Icenhour, Town Attorney

Visitors:                            Mr. Emmitt Yeary

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- (3)     **CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS - Emmitt Yeary, Owner, 161 East Main Street, Abingdon, VA 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to construct a privacy picket fence between the property located at 161 East Main Street and adjoining property belonging to Cody E. and Susan Rhyne. Tax Map No. 13 (1) 57.**

Dr. Owens explained that this application was considered and initially approved, as presented, at the regular meeting held Wednesday, January 5, 2011. The application requested approval to install a privacy picket fence between the property located at 161 East Main Street and the adjoining property belonging to Cody E. and Susan Rhyne located at 159 East Main Street. The purpose for the proposed fence is to replace trees which originally screened the properties but were removed due to recent storm damage.

After the application request was approved at the January 5 meeting, full membership of the Board of Architectural Review arrived with more information, indicating that the fence did not meet the Guideline requirements. At that time, it was decided to re-evaluate the Board's decision. The application request was approved with modifications recommended by the Board, to include that the proposed fence be the same height of the existing fence and the pickets of the fence to face in the same direction as the existing fence.

At a later time more accurate information was received indicating the fence measurements were within the required Guidelines. Therefore, Robert's Rules of Order requires that the Board of Architectural Review make a motion to reconsider this application. Mr. Geisler made a motion to reconsider Mr. Yeary's application request. The motion was seconded by Mr. Berry, with unanimous approval.

After further discussion, Mr. Geisler made a motion to approve the proposed fence as currently being built and as originally submitted. Mr. Berry seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

This meeting held Tuesday, January 11, 2011, was required for a proper vote on this application.

Dr. Owens offered Mr. Yeary an apology for any inconveniences caused to him. Mr. Yeary accepted the Board's apology.

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

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Dr. Charles M. Owens, Chairman

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W. Garrett Jackson, Secretary