

TOWN OF ABINGDON  
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 1, 2005 - 1:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Board of Architectural Review was held Wednesday, June 1, 2005 at 1:00 P.M. The meeting was held in the Municipal Building, Downstairs Meeting Room.

Mrs. Betsy White, Chairman, called the meeting to order, welcoming visitors and explaining the purposes of the Board of Architectural Review.

ROLL CALL

Members Present                      Mrs. Betsy White, Chairman  
   Mr. Andrew Hargroves, Vice-Chairman  
   Mr. Harry L. McKinney  
   Mr. Thomas C. Phillips, Jr.  
   Mrs. Doris Shuman

Comprising a quorum of the Board

Members Absent:                      None

Administrative Staff:                Mr. A. C. Bradley, Director of Planning/Zoning  
   Mr. W. Garrett Jackson, Town Planner  
   Mr. Rick Statzer, Building Inspector  
   Mr. Art Shore, Building Inspection

Visitors:                                Mr. Frank Canter  
   Mr. Gary Kimbrell

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(2)      Approval of Minutes:              Regular Meeting, May 4, 2005

Motion was made by Mr. Hargroves that the minutes of the regular meeting, May 5, 2005 be approved. Mrs. Shuman seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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(3)      **Certificate of Appropriateness - Town of Abingdon (Fields Penn House), Rick Statzer and Marion Watts, Representatives, 133 West Main Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to install sight barrier for heat/air conditioning equipment at property located at 425 West Main Street. Tax Map No. 12 (1) 125.**

This is a request for approval to install a sight barrier for the heat/air conditioning equipment at the Field-Penn House located at 425 West Main Street.

Mr. Rick Statzer and Mr. Art Shore of the Town of Abingdon Building Inspection Department were present to discuss the Town's application to install a sight barrier for HVAC equipment.

The fence will enclose the new units and boxwoods will be planted outside of the fence to further hide the barrier.

After discussion, Mr. McKinney made a motion that this application be approved, as presented. Mrs. Shuman seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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- (4) **Certificate of Appropriateness - Washington County Board of Supervisors (Washington County Courthouse), Frank Canter, Representative, 205 Academy Drive, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to replace existing (deteriorated) doors on structure located at 191 East Main Street. Tax Map No. 13 (1) 61.**

This is a request for approval to replace existing doors at the Washington County Courthouse located at 191 East Main Street.

Mr. Frank Canter of the Washington County General Services Department indicated the doors have deteriorated and are too narrow to meet the Building Code. Furthermore, they open to the inside and they would need to be reversed.

Mr. Jackson visited the site to inspect the doors and indicated they were not in a deteriorated state, but narrow and opened to the inside. With the exception of plywood panels, the doors seem to have been on the Courthouse for at least 70 years or more. Mr. Jackson asked that the age of the doors be investigated before a decision was made.

After much discussion, the Board decided the doors were contributing elements to the structure and should not be removed. Mr. Canter was asked to seek further options. Mr. Canter indicated the doors could be sealed off and not used, in order to keep those doors intact.

Because of the new UPS drop box placed outside the Washington County Treasurer's Office, Mr. Jackson informed Mr. Canter that any and all additions, modifications and/or structures/signs in the Historic District need to be brought before the Board of Architectural Review before they are put into place.

After further discussion, this application was tabled, since the Board was unanimous in their decision to investigate further before action was taken.

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- (5) **Certificate of Appropriateness - Gary M. and Susan M. Kimbrell, 244 Valley Street, N.E., Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of canvas and wood gazebo to be placed in the eastern most portion of driveway of property located at 224 Valley Street, N.E. Tax Map No. 13 (1) 36.**

This is a request for approval of a canvas and wood gazebo to be placed in the eastern most portion of driveway of property located at 224 Valley Street, N.E.

Mr. Kimbrell indicated that the structure would be removed in the winter and put back up in the spring.

After discussion, Mr. McKinney made a motion that the application be approved, as submitted. Mrs. Shuman seconded the motion, with unanimous approval

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- (6) **Certificate of Appropriateness - Doris LaVere and Annette Aronson (Neuro Muscular Pain Relief Center, Inc.), Annette C. Leonard, Representative, 139 West Valley Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to replace existing garage door with glass, French doors, with installation of canopy and a proposed construction at rear of existing structure located at 139 West Valley Street. Tax Map No. 12 (1) 9.**

After having submitted application for the above request, Ms. Doris LaVere and Ms. Annette Aronson have decided to not pursue construction behind their home located at 139 West Valley Street. They have chosen an office space located in the Stone Mill Shopping Village to locate their Neuromuscular Pain Relief Center.

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Mr. Jackson presented the final draft of the 2005 CLG Sub-Grant Application which the Board of Architectural Review was submitting for funding of Historic District Street Signs. The request is for \$6,300.00 from Department of Historic Resources and the Town will appropriate \$2,700.00.

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

  
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 W. Garrett Jackson, Secretary

  
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 Betsy White, Chairman