

TOWN OF ABINGDON  
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 5, 2009 - 5:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Board of Architectural Review was held Wednesday, August 5, 2009 at 5:00 P.M. The meeting was held in the Municipal Building, Downstairs Meeting Room.

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

ROLL CALL

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

Comprising a quorum of the Board

Members Absent: None

Administrative Staff: Mr. W. Garrett Jackson, Director of Planning  
Mr. Sean Taylor, Assistant Director Planning/Zoning

Visitors: None

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- (2) Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting, July 1, 2009  
Reconvened Meeting, July 21, 2009

Mrs. Shuman made a motion that the minutes of the regular meeting, July 1, 2009, be approved as presented. Mr. Berry seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

Mr. Geisler made a motion that the minutes of the reconvened meeting, July 21, 2009 be approved as presented. Mrs. Shuman seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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- (3) **CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS - Cumberland Resources Corporation, Owner, Peyton Boyd, Representative**, 153 West Main Street, Abingdon, VA 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of renovation and addition to existing structure **located at 153 West Main Street. Tax Map No. 12 (1) 79.** (*Amended application from July 1, 2009 meeting*).

This application was originally presented to the Board of Architectural Review at the July 1, 2009 meeting at which time proposed plans for renovation with a new addition to existing structure located at 153 West Main Street were approved as presented. It was noted at that time that that material samples would be submitted at the August 5, 2009 meeting. The purpose of this amended application is requesting approval of the following (1) brick porch and steps on rear of addition in lieu of wood, (2) installation of wheelchair ramp on southwest side of addition for accessibility and (3) brick and prefinished roofing samples. Plans for a proposed parking area was discussed briefly, however, a final proposed plan will be submitted for review at a later date.

After further discussion and Board members viewing samples presented on site of property located at 153 West Main Street, Mrs. Shuman made a motion that the all requests presented in the amended application be approved as presented. Mr. Berry seconded the motion.

VOTE:            Mrs. Shuman    Aye  
                      Mr. Berry        Aye  
                      Dr. Owens      Aye  
                      Mr. Geisler    Aye  
                      Mr. Boyd        Abstained

The motion passed.

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(4)      DISCUSSION - Board of Architectural Review Compliance Letters

The Board of Architectural Review and the Zoning Administrator are charged with enforcing Article 8 of the Town of Abingdon Zoning Ordinance, which includes a standard of protective maintenance and repair of those properties which it deems threatened by decay and/or deterioration. Per Section 8-11-Maintenance of Historic Properties in the Ordinance, it requires that owners of property or properties deemed in need of attention to appear before the Board of Architectural Review, when summonsed, and produce a plan of action for repairing and preserving the property.

After discussion, Mrs. Shuman made a motion that property owners having properties deemed in need of attention, be notified by letter, requesting they produce a plan of action for repairing and preserving their properties. Mr. Boyd seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

A copy of a letter mailed to affected property owners, with copies of the following code sections, are attached and made a part of these minutes.

1.    **Code of Virginia §15.2-2306. Preservation of historical sites and architectural areas**
2.    **Code of Virginia §15.2-907.1. Authority to require removal, repair, etc., of buildings that are declared to be derelict**

The property owners and properties affected are as following:

- **Robert McConnell**  
      **107 Park Place**
- **Sammy Campbell**  
      **268 East Main Street**
- **Jerry Hyman**  
      **315 East Valley Street**

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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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Dr. Charles M. Owens, Chairman

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W. Garrett Jackson, Secretary