

TOWN OF ABINGDON
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 6, 2010 - 5:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Board of Architectural Review was held Wednesday, October 6, 2010 at 5:00 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
 Mrs. Doris Shuman
 Mr. Byrum Geisler
 Mr. Peyton Boyd

Comprising a quorum of the Board

Members Absent: Mr. Jason Berry

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

Visitors: Ms. Nancy Jean Bradford

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(2) Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting, September 1, 2010

Mrs. Shuman made a motion that the minutes of the regular meeting, September 1, 2010 be approved. Mr. Geisler seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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(3) **CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS - T. Edward Damer and Nancy Jean Bradford, Owners, 151 Valley Street, N.W., Abingdon, VA 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval to replace dangerously deteriorated stairs on front of structure located at 151 Valley Street, N.W. Tax Map No. 12 (6) 11.**

It was explained that recently the owners of the property located at 151 West Valley Street, N.W. had begun exterior alterations to the existing structure which included the replacement of the existing concrete stairs with new wooden stairs. It was brought to the attention of the staff that a Certificate of Appropriateness had not been submitted for approval of this project. At that time a "Stop Work Order" was put in place until appropriate consideration of the stairs was reviewed. Therefore, this is a request for approval to replace the deteriorated stairs on front of structure. The proposed stairs will be constructed of natural wood steps, having white railings and risers.

Ms. Bradford apologized for beginning the construction of the stairway, without prior approval from the Board. She explained that it was thought of as being maintenance work, not realizing it was necessary to get approval prior to the work.

Mr. Boyd commented that the proposed stairs have the Queen Anne detail which blends with the remaining structure.

After discussion, Mrs. Shuman made a motion that the proposed replacement stairs be approved as presented. Mr. Boyd seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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(4) DISCUSSION

- Revisions of Guidelines - A discussion of the revisions of the Guidelines will continue on Wednesday, October 27, 2010.

- Deteriorating Structures
 Robert McConnell, 107 Park Place
 Sammy Campbell, 268 East Main Street

A discussion continued regarding the referenced properties which are in a deteriorating state. It was decided that the Board will meet with the Town Manager and Town Attorney during the week of October 11, 2010 for further discussion to determine the proper handling of this matter.

- David and Robin Ward, 239 East Valley Street
 There was a brief discussion regarding the metal roof installed on the structure located at 239 East Valley Street. A waiver was previously issued for the metal roof however the metal roof installed does not conform to the Guidelines. This matter was tabled to next meeting for further discussion.

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

Dr. Charles M. Owens, Chairman

W. Garrett Jackson, Secretary