# TOWN OF ABINGDON HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020 – 5:15 P.M. ARTHUR CAMPBELL ROOM – MUNICIPAL BUILDING

A Regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board was held on Wednesday, January 8, 2020, at 5:15 pm in the Arthur Campbell Meeting Room in the Municipal Building.

# A. WELCOME by Jeff Johnson - Chairman

## B. ROLL CALL - Jason Boswell, Director of Planning

Members of the Board Present:

Mr. Michael Weaver

Mr. Byrum Geisler Mr. Andrew Neese Mr. Jeff Johnson

Mr. Derek Webb

Members of the Board Absent:

None

## Comprising a quorum of the Board

Administrative/Town Staff:

Mr. Jason Boswell, Director of Planning

Mr. Mason Gragg, Town Planner

Mrs. Janice Dornon, Administrative Assistant

## C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• December 4, 2019, Regular Meeting

On a motion by Mr. Geisler, seconded by Mr. Neese, the Board approved the minutes for December 4, 2019, Regular Meeting as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver Aye
Mr. Geisler Aye
Mr. Neese Aye
Mr. Johnson Aye
Mr. Webb Abstained

The board approved December 4, 2019, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

#### D. CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

1. Certificate of Appropriateness – Chris and Leslie Brewer; 1208 Old Stage Rd, Chilhowie, VA 24319; owner. Chris Price: representative, 217 E. Devon Dr., Mount Airy, NC 27030. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to demo existing kitchen and porches, build an addition with a kitchen, mudroom, laundry, and porch with fireplace. Located at 212 Whites Mill Road, Abingdon, VA 24210. Tax Map No. (013-1-26)

Ms. Leslie Brewer presented the property located at 212 Whites Mill Road, Abingdon, VA.

Ms. Brewer proposed to demolish the existing kitchen and porch areas to create a new addition to include a new kitchen, mudroom and a larger porch area with an outdoor fireplace.

The HPRB board members made the following suggestions for the new addition, with Mr. Johnson summarizing the list below:

- 1. Roof light gray standing seam metal roof with no striations to match the existing structure
- 2. Fascia board, eaves and soffits to match the existing structure
- 3. Balusters to be metal or wood, the upper lever to be white, lower level on porch to be black.
- 4. Homeowner wishes to use white brick on the outdoor fireplace because of the need to match the brickwork and mortar color to the existing structure for the third time. Board told Ms. Brewer that Lime works will match the mortar color to the existing. Brick color should match the existing structure, or use wood lap painted white.
- 5. Anderson windows and doors to be wood and should match the existing style on the structure
- 6. Columns to be wood.
- 7. Bluestone to be used for porch flooring
- 8. Guttering to be white half-round gutters with downspouts to match existing
- 9. Foundation to match existing foundation
- 10. Light fixtures should be period style lantern type

11. Ms. Brewer is to submit a sample of the brick, siding and lighting style to Town staff for approval, along with the revised plan.

Ms. Brewer added that they would like to replace some of the attic windows that have water damage. The board suggested that the attic windows be repaired and not replaced.

Mr. Geisler made a motion to approve the COA request as submitted within the guidelines and summarization made by Mr. Johnson, second by Mr. Neese.

## The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver	Aye
Mr. Geisler	Aye
Mr. Neese	Aye
Mr. Johnson	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

The board unanimously approved the COA as presented within the guidelines and as summarized for 212 Whites Mill Road.

#### E. APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT

1. Tax Abatement: R. L. Legard, owner, Located at 203 Valley Street NW, Abingdon, and VA. Parcel Number, (012-6-1).

Mr. Jason Boswell represented the property located at 203 Valley Street NW, Abingdon, VA.

Mr. Johnson told the board that Town staff has received the receipts for the work completed at 203 Valley Street NW for \$9,219.43.

Mr. Weaver made a motion to approve the Tax Abatement Application as submitted, second by Mr. Webb.

#### The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver	Aye
Mr. Geisler	Aye
Mr. Neese	Aye
Mr. Johnson	Ave

Mr. Webb

Aye

The board approved that the tax credits should be submitted to the Town Manager for review and approval. If approved it will then go to the Tax Clerk to be processed and applied to the parcel.

## F. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

#### G. OLD BUSINESS/MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA - None

#### H. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Boswell informed the HPRB board that a Historic District Survey will be performed by Dovetail Cultural Resource Group of Fredericksburg, VA. A letter will be sent to all the historic district members. This survey will help with the revisions to the ordinances updates. This survey will catalog all 250 properties located within the Historic District.

Mr. Boswell stated the with the 50/50 grant, this is a great opportunity for the Town.

## I. ADJOURNMENT

On Motion by Mr. Neese, seconded by Mr. Geisler, for the Board to adjourn the meeting.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver	Aye
Mr. Geisler	Aye
Mr. Neese	Aye
Mr. Johnson	Aye
Mr. Webb	Aye

Mr. Johnson declared the meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 6:01 P. M.

January 8, 2020 Regular Meeting

Jeff Johnson, Chairman

Jason Boswell, Director of Planning