TOWN OF ABINGDON HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 2020 – 5:10 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL BUILDING

A Regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board was held on Wednesday, May 6, 2020, at 5:10 pm in the Council Chambers 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

Ms. Kristi Hartshorn Mr. Byrum Geisler Mr. Jeff Johnson

Members of the Board Absent: Mr. Derek Webb

Comprising a quorum of the Board - Yes

Administrative/Town Staff: Mr. Jason Boswell, Director of Planning

Mr. Mason Gragg, Town Planner

Mrs. Janice Dornon, Administrative Assistant

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• May 6, 2020, Regular Meeting

On a motion by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Geisler, the Board approved the minutes for April 1, 2020, Regular Meeting as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver Aye

Ms. Hartshorn Abstained

Mr. Geisler Aye Mr. Johnson Aye

The board approved the April 1, 2020, Regular Meeting minutes approved as presented.

D. CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

1. Certificate of Appropriateness –Bob & Susan Howard; 122 Valley St., NW, Abingdon, VA, 24210; owner. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to modify a section of the current fence in side & back yard. Located at 122 Valley St., Abingdon, VA 24210. Tax Map No. (012-1-55A)

1. Motion 1

Mr. Howard represented the property located at 122 Valley Street.

Mr. Howard would like to modify the fence on the west side of his yard with six-foot fence panels; this fence is a privacy fence. The backyard fence will remain as is.

Mr. Geisler made a motion to approve the COA request as submitted, seconded by Mr. Weaver.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Michael Weaver Ms. Kristi Hartshorn Mr. Byrum Geisler Mr. Jeff Johnson

The board unanimously approved part one of the COA as presented for the property located at 122 Valley Street.

2. Motion 2

Mr. Howard would also like to place the same six-foot fence on the east side of his yard. The fencing material will mirror the fence on the west side. The fence will be painted to match the main house.

Mr. Howard will need to bring in a paint color sample to the staff for approval.

Mr. Geisler made a motion to approve the COA request as submitted, seconded by Mr. Weaver.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Michael Weaver Ms. Kristi Hartshorn Mr. Byrum Geisler Mr. Jeff Johnson

The board unanimously approved part 2 of the COA as presented for the property located at 122 Valley Street.

2. Certificate of Appropriateness – Chris & Leslie Brewer; 212 Whites Mill Road, Abingdon, VA; owner. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to demo existing kitchen & porches. Build a kitchen, mudroom, laundry room, and porches at the back of the house. Located at 212 Whites Mill Rd. Tax Map No (013-1-26)

Mrs. Leslie Brewer represented the property located at 212 Whites Mill Road.

Mrs. Brewer is requesting to modify the previously approved COA. The roofline will change from a flat roof to a sloped roof with a standing seam roof with no striations, the upstairs door will remain in place, the footprint of the project will be smaller than previously presented, and the guttering will match the existing guttering.

Mr. Johnson reiterated that the roof would be a standing seam roof with no striations.

Mr. Geisler made a motion to approve the COA request as submitted, seconded by Ms. Hartshorn.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Michael Weaver Ms. Kristi Hartshorn Mr. Byrum Geisler Mr. Jeff Johnson The board unanimously approved the COA as presented for the property located at 212 Whites Mill Road.

3. Certificate of Appropriateness – Hugh Belcher; 170 E. Main St, Abingdon, VA, 24210; owner. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for three directional signs. Located at 170 E. Main Street. Tax Map No (013-1-109)

Ms. Lynda Wise represented the property located at 170 E. Main Street.

Ms. Wise stated that they are requesting to have three signs at the property located at 170 E. Main Street, one in front of the building, one in the back of the building, and one in the alleyway. The signage material will be foam & vinyl with black metal frames.

Mr. Johnson and Mr. Geisler stated that the guideline state that the sign limit is two.

Mr. Geisler suggested that the directional sign and the business sign be combined to meet the guidelines.

Ms. Wise agreed that the two signs would be acceptable. The front sign will be mounted to the front of the building and the other sign will be mounted using a bracket.

Mr. Johnson clarified that there would be a front sign and a back sign, but no sign on the side street.

Mr. Geisler made a motion to approve the COA request as modified with the dimensions submitted, seconded by Ms. Hartshorn.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Michael Weaver Ms. Kristi Hartshorn Mr. Byrum Geisler Mr. Jeff Johnson

The board unanimously approved the COA as presented for the property located at 170 E. Main Street as modified with the dimensions submitted.

4. Certificate of Appropriateness – Todd & Amanda Pillion; 125 W. Valley St, Abingdon Va. 24210; owner. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to add a pergola to an existing outbuilding, reinforce the foundation, and paint to match the house. Add a new outbuilding constructed with the same materials as the existing outbuilding. Install a stone patio, to attach the two structures. Pea gravel the parking area. Replace roof with standing seam roof on all structures, color black. All structures to be painted white. New outbuilding constructed with the same materials as existing outbuilding.

Stone patio to attach the two structures. A new standing seam roof on all structures. Including building a fieldstone patio, and a fieldstone fireplace. Located at 159 E. Main St. Tax Map No (013-1-56)

Mr. Pillion represented the property located at 159 E. Main Street.

Mr. Pillion stated the previous COA was approved for the landscaping and renovation, with the renovation part completed. He is requesting to renovate and add an outbuilding and a pergola. The building will be constructed of hemlock lumber with a black standing seam roof with no striations and painted white to match the main structure.

Mr. Pillion will also be restoring the existing building(s) located on the property with black standing seam roofing and painted white. The old windows will be salvaged.

Mr. Pillion also will be adding a stone fireplace and patio, which will connect the buildings.

Mr. Pillion will be reclaiming a parking area using pea gravel.

Mr. Pillion will need to bring in a paint sample to staff for approval.

Mr. Johnson clarified that the roof would be black standing seam with no striations. Windows will be wood and structures will be painted white.

Mr. Geisler made a motion to approve the COA requested as clarified, seconded by Ms. Hartshorn.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Michael Weaver Ms. Kristi Hartshorn Mr. Byrum Geisler Mr. Jeff Johnson

The board unanimously approved the COA as presented for the property located at 159 E. Main Street with clarifications.

5 Certificate of Appropriateness – Town of Abingdon; P.O. Box 789, Abingdon, VA 24212; owner. Matt Henderson; representative. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to stain pickets & handrails on The Finley House in white. Stain picnic shelter on grounds in brown. Located at 300 Green Spring Road. Tax Map No (021-1-4)

Mr. Matt Henderson, Town employee represented the property located at 300 Green Spring Road.

Mr. Henderson is the Facilities Manager for the Town of Abingdon and is requesting to paint the porch area and the picnic shelter at the Finley House. The shelter will be stained a Russet color. The porch on the house will be painted white.

Mr. Geisler made a motion to approve the COA request as submitted, seconded by Mr. Weaver.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Michael Weaver Ms. Kristi Hartshorn Mr. Byrum Geisler Mr. Jeff Johnson

The board unanimously approved the COA as presented for the property located at 300 Green Spring Road.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

F. OLD BUSINESS/MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA –

1. Ms. Hartshorn made a motion to nominate Mr. Geisler as the co-chair of the HPRB, replacing Andrew Neese.

Ms. Hartshorn made a motion to nominated Mr. Geisler as the new co-chair of the HPRB board, seconded by Mr. Weaver.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Michael Weaver
Ms. Kristi Hartshorn
Mr. Byrum Geisler - Abstained
Mr. Jeff Johnson

The board unanimously approved the nomination of Mr. Geisler as the new co-chair of the HPRB replacing Andrew Neese.

G. ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

H. ADJOURNMENT

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

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Michael Weaver

Ms. Kristi Hartshorn

Mr. Byrum Geisler

Mr. Jeff Johnson

Mr. Johnson declared the meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 5:52 P. M.

Jeff Johnson, Chairman

Jason Boswell, Director of Planning