

**TOWN OF ABINGDON  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2020 – 5:10 P.M.  
ARTHUR CAMPBELL ROOM– MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

A Regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board was held on Wednesday, July 1, 2020, at 5:10 pm in the Arthur Campbell Room in the Municipal Building.

**A. WELCOME by Jeff Johnson – Chairman**

**B. ROLL CALL – Jason Boswell, Director of Planning**

Members of the Board Present:      **Ms. Kristi Hartshorn  
Mr. Michael Weaver  
Mr. Derek Webb  
Mr. Byrum Geisler  
Mr. Jeff Johnson**

Members of the Board Absent:      None

**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**

- **July 1, 2020, Regular Meeting**

**On a motion by Mr. Geisler, seconded by Mr. Weaver, the Board approved the minutes for June 3, 2020, Regular Meeting as presented.**

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

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

The board approved the June 3, 2020, Regular Meeting minutes approved as presented.

**D. CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS**

**1. Certificate of Appropriateness – Hazel Ramos-Cano; 210 Valley Street NE, VA 24210; owner. Power Home Solar, 919 N. Main Street, Mooresville, NC 28115; representative. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to install 35 roof mounted solar modules, grid tied, 11.20 kw. and adding an energy storage system (battery). Located at 210 Valley Street NE. Tax Map No (013-1-38)**

Claire Mull from Power Home Solar represented the property located at 210 Valley Street NE.

Ms. Mull stated that the solar panels would be mounted with clamps that attach to the ridges of the existing roof. The proposed panels would be mounted on the side and back of the roof. The panels are black with black trim. The existing roof of the structure is green in color.

Mr. Geisler said that the roofline of the property can be seen from Plumb Alley, Court Street, and Valley Street. The panels will be visible from public view, which is not compliant with the U.S. Department of Interior Guidelines.

Mr. Johnson asked if the panels could be mounted on ground in the side yard.

Ms. Mull said that the panels are 3' x 5' and would have to be mounted 2 feet above ground, making the height near seven feet at the tallest point.

Mr. Geisler suggested that Power Home Solar and the property owner come back with suggestions that would be compliant with the guidelines.

Mr. Johnson stated that the COA as presented is not sufficient per the guidelines.

**Mr. Geisler made a motion to deny the COA request as submitted; it does not comply with the guidelines, seconded by Ms. Hartshorn.**

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

**Ms. Kristi Hartshorn  
Mr. Michael Weaver  
Mr. Derek Webb  
Mr. Byrum Geisler  
Mr. Jeff Johnson**

The board denied the COA as presented for the property located at 210 Valley Street NE.

**2. Certificate of Appropriateness – Diana Pasick; 106 Valley Street NW, Abingdon, VA 24210; owner.** Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to install pavers to create a parking area. **Located at 106 Valley Street NW. Tax Map No (012-1-52)**

Ms. Pasick represented the property located at 106 Valley Street NW.

Ms. Patrick would like to remove the current black top and gravel and fill the space in with brick pavers. The total area is roughly 800 square feet.

Mr. Johnson told Ms. Pasick that the design was favorable, but the board would need to see samples of the pavers and the color to be used. Ms. Pasick would also need to check on the Plumb Alley right-of-way before beginning work.

Mr. Johnson told Ms. Pasick that when the color of paver had been chosen she should notify Town staff and a meeting could be set up to review the sample for approval.

Mr. Johnson suggested that the COA be tabled until a color and paver sample was selected by the homeowner.

**Mr. Weaver made a motion to table the COA request as submitted, seconded by Mr. Webb.**

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

**Ms. Kristi Hartshorn  
Mr. Michael Weaver  
Mr. Derek Webb  
Mr. Byrum Geisler  
Mr. Jeff Johnson**

The board tabled the COA as presented for the property located at 106 Valley Street NW until color and paver samples can be supplied for review.

**3. Certificate of Appropriateness – Byrum Geisler; 228 E. Main Street, Abingdon, VA 24210; owner. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to install brass oil burning lanterns on each side of entrance. Located at 228 E Main Street. Tax Map No (013-1-97)**

Mr. Byrum Geisler represented the property located at 228 E. Main Street.

Mr. Geisler told the board that he would like to mount two antique brass lanterns at the entrance to his property.

Mr. Geisler told the board that the lanterns would be placed where previous lights have been; this is evident from remnants of conduit showing.

The lights will not be electrified, but will be ignited by gas on special occasions.

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

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

**Ms. Kristi Hartshorn**

**Mr. Michael Weaver**

**Mr. Derek Webb**

**Mr. Byrum Geisler - Recluse himself**

**Mr. Jeff Johnson**

The board unanimously approved the COA as presented for the property located at 228 E. Main Street NE.

**E. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None**

**F. DISCUSSION**

**G. OLD BUSINESS/MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

**H. ANNOUNCEMENTS - None**

**I. ADJOURNMENT**

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

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

**Ms. Kristi Hartshorn  
Mr. Michael Weaver  
Mr. Derek Webb  
Mr. Byrum Geisler  
Mr. Jeff Johnson**

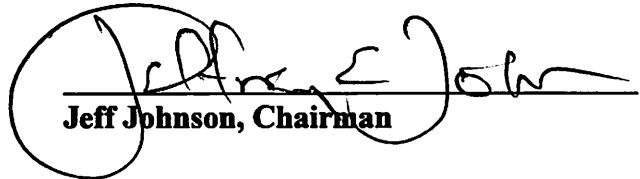
**Mr. Johnson declared the meeting adjourned.**

**Meeting adjourned at 5:40 P. M.**



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**Jason Boswell, Director of Planning**



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**Jeff Johnson, Chairman**