

**TOWN OF ABINGDON
HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2020 – 5:15 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS– MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

A Regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board was held on Wednesday, November 4, 2020, at 5:15 pm in the Council Chambers in the Municipal Building.

A. WELCOME by – Mr. Byrum Geisler

B. ROLL CALL – Jason Boswell, Director of Community Development

Members of the Board Present:

- Mrs. Betsy White**
- Mr. Mike Owens**
- Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn**
- Mr. Michael Weaver**
- Mr. Byrum Geisler**

Members of the Board Absent:

Comprising a quorum of the Board - Yes

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| Administrative/Town Staff: | Mr. Jason Boswell, Director of Community Development |
| | Mr. Mason Gragg, Town Planner |
| | Mrs. Janice Dornon, Administrative Assistant |

Mr. Geisler welcomed Mrs. Betsy White to the Historic Preservation Review Board.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **October 7, 2020, Regular Meeting**

On a motion by Mr. Owens, seconded by Mrs. Hartshorn, the Board approved the minutes for October 7, 2020, Regular Meeting with corrections.

The roll call vote was as follows:

**Mrs. Betsy White - Abstained
Mr. Mike Owens
Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn
Mr. Michael Weaver – Abstained
Mr. Byrum Geisler**

The board approved the October 7, 2020, Regular Meeting minutes with corrections.

D. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND CO-CHAIRMAN

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn nominated Mr. Byrum Geisler as the Chairman of the Historic Preservation Review Board, seconded by Mr. Mike Owens.

2. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Mr. Michael Weaver nominated Mrs. Betsy White as the Vice-Chair to the Historic Preservation Review Board, seconded by Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn.

Mr. Geisler asked for a motion to close the nominations for HPRB Chairman and Vice-Chair.

Mr. Weaver made a motion to close the nomination for HPRB Chairman and Vice-Chair, seconded by Mr. Owens.

The roll call vote was as follows:

**Mrs. Betsy White
Mr. Mike Owens
Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn
Mr. Michael Weaver
Mr. Byrum Geisler**

The board approved the nominations for Historic Preservation Review Board Chair, Mr. Byrum Geisler, and Vice-Chair, Mrs. Betsy White.

E. CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

1. Certificate of Appropriateness – Robert & Susan Howard; 122 Valley Street NW, Abingdon, VA, 24202; owner. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to add a footpath from the front porch to the sidewalk. Located at 122 Valley Street NW, Abingdon, VA. Tax Map No (012-1-55A)

Mr. Robert “Bob” Howard represented the property located at 122 Valley Street NW.

Mr. Howard is asking to install a footpath from the front of his home out to the public sidewalk. He is also requesting the approval of a dusk-to-dawn outdoor lamppost. The Howards intend to install a herringbone brick paver to match the existing brick pattern. During construction, the contractor will lay conduit to power the lamppost.

On a motion by Mrs. Hartshorn and seconded by Mr. Weaver, the Board approved the COA as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

**Mrs. Betsy White
Mr. Mike Owens
Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn
Mr. Michael Weaver
Mr. Byrum Geisler**

The board approved the COA for the property located at 122 Valley Street NW.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

G. DISCUSSION

1. Mr. Jason Boswell informed the board that he had been contacted by Mr. Joe Levine of 350 Green Spring Road about a change to the approved COA from February, 2020. This certificate included the deck and addition on the rear of the structure. Due to Covid-19, the siding company no longer offers factory painting. Due to this feature being unavailable, the Levines want to paint their LP Siding on site. The siding will be painted white and will match the existing trim and color scheme.

On a motion by Mr. Owens and seconded by Mrs. Hartshorn, the Board approved the color change from the COA of February, 2020, per Mr. Levine’s request.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Betsy White
Mr. Mike Owens
Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn
Mr. Michael Weaver
Mr. Byrum Geisler

The board approved the color change of the lap siding from the February, 2020 meeting: 350 Green Spring Road.

2. Mr. Boswell was contacted by Dave Dalton, the new owner of 108 Court Street. Mr. Dalton is planning an addition and a revamped courtyard in the rear of the property. Both of these projects will be entirely out of the public view.

Mr. Boswell stated that he would notify the board with any additional updates.

3. Mr. Weaver asked about the report from the Historic District Inventory Survey. Mr. Boswell said he had spoken to Mr. Mike Pulice who indicated the Historic District Inventory Survey was close to being completed.

Mrs. White brought up the topic of expanding the Historic District. She would like to see the William King Museum added to the Old and Historic District.

Mr. Geisler said that the new Tax Abatement program offered by the Town would be an incentive to having property in the Historic District.

Mr. Owens and Mrs. Hartshorn expressed excitement of the Preservation Plan as explained by Mrs. White.

H. OLD BUSINESS/MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

J. ADJOURNMENT

On Motion by Mrs. Hartshorn, seconded by Mr. Owens, for the Board to adjourn the meeting.

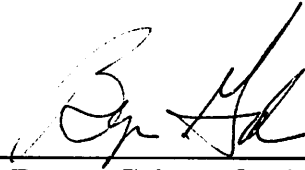
The roll call vote was as follows:

Mrs. Betsy White

Mr. Mike Owens
Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn
Mr. Michael Weaver
Mr. Byrum Geisler

Mr. Geisler declared the meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 5:37 P. M.



Mr. Byrum Geisler, Chairman



Jason Boswell, Director of Community Development