TOWN OF ABINGDON HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 – 5:15 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS– MUNICIPAL BUILDING

A Regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board was held on Wednesday, September 1, 2021, at 5:15 pm in the Council Chambers in the Municipal Building.

A. WELCOME by - Mr. Byrum Geisler

B. ROLL CALL - Tyler Vencill, Town Engineer & Interim Zoning Administrator

Members of the Board Present:

Mr. Mike Owens

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

Members of the Board Absent:

Comprising a quorum of the Board - Yes

Administrative Town Staff:

Mr. Tyler Vencill, Town Engineer & Interim

Zoning Administrator

Mrs. Janice Dornon, Administrative Assistant

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (VIDEO 4:46 – 5:56)

- > August 9, 2021, Regular Meeting
- > August 11, 2021, Special Called Meeting

August 9, 2021

On a motion by Mrs. Hartshorn, seconded by Mrs. White, the board approved the minutes for the August 9, 2021, Regular Meeting as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Mike Owens Abstained
Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn Aye
Mr. Michael Weaver Aye

Mrs. Betsy White Aye
Mr. Byrum Geisler Aye

August 11, 2021

On a motion by Mrs. White seconded by Mrs. Hartshorn, the board approved the minutes for August 11, 2021, Special Called Meeting as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

D. CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

1. Certificate of Appropriateness – Susan & Rick Humphreys, 107 Park Street SE, Abingdon, VA, 24210; Owner. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to change the exterior paint color. Located at 107 Park Street SE, Abingdon, VA 24210. Tax Map No. (012-1-104) (VIDEO 5:57 – 8:01)

Mr. Rick Humphreys represented the property located at 107 Park Street SE, Abingdon, VA.

Mr. Humphreys to use paint colors, AF180-Brown, HC123-Kennybunkport Green, and OC 131-White Down.

Mr. Humphreys is asking for Tax Credit on this project, paperwork has been submitted.

On a motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Mr. Owens, the board approved the COA as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Mike Owens Aye
Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn Aye
Mr. Michael Weaver Aye

Mrs. Betsy White Aye
Mr. Byrum Geisler Aye

2. Certificate of Appropriateness –Vickie Wampler; 102 Valley St. NW, Abingdon, VA 24210; owner. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to demo carport, fill in the sloping yard for better drainage. Construct a small cottage or an addition, and replace the roof. Located at 102 Valley Street NW, Abingdon, VA 24210. Tax Map No. (012-1-51) (VIDEO 8:02 – 22:24)

Ms. Vickie Wampler represented the property located at 102 Valley ST. NW, Abingdon, VA.

Ms. Wampler would like to demo a carport, grade work, add fill dirt for drainage issues, build a 36 X 24 cottage at the rear of the property, create a driveway off Plumb Alley, replace the roof on the main house with gutter work and add a deck on the back on the main house.

Ms. Wampler will need to bring in samples of the following materials for the board to approve.

- 1. Roof materials, shingles, and color
- 2. Drawing of the deck
- 3. Windows & Doors
- 4. Exterior lighting

On a motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Mrs. Hartshorn, the board approved the demo of the carport and the grade work only.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

3. Certificate of Appropriateness – Doug Ellis, 485 Court Street, Abingdon, VA, 24210; Owner. Mustafa Ahmed, 217 W. Main Street, Abingdon, VA 24210; Representative. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to install a permanent mural on concrete wall. Located at 217 W. Main Street, Abingdon, VA. Tax Map Np. (012-1-71) (VIDEO 22:25 – 41:15)

Mr. Doug Ellis represented the property located at 217 W. Main Street, Abingdon, VA.

Mr. Ellis is petitioning to have a mural painted on the concrete wall between 211 & 217 West Main Street. Only concept approval is being asked for.

Mr. Ellis and Ms. Christine Webb explained that they would be applying for grant funding and raising funds to cover the cost of the mural.

Mr. Geisler stated that the board would need to set criteria for this type of allowance.

Ms. White asked what the maintenance would entail; Ms. Webb responded that they would use the artist's recommendations for the mural's maintenance.

Mr. Ellis will have to present a design for approval of the mural that would incorporate the parking signage.

Mr. Ellis asked if the wall could be simply painted, the board would need to approve the paint color.

On a motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Mr. Weaver, the board approved the COA as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

4. Certificate of Appropriateness – Travis & Ashley Dyson, 228 Valley Street NW, Abingdon, VA, 24210; Owner. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for exterior paint color, rear deck, safety handrail, and sign. Located at 228 Valley St. NW, Abingdon, VA 24210. Tax Map No. (012-1-67) (VIDEO 41:16 – 49:15)

Mr. Travis Dyson represented the property located at 228 Valley Street NW, Abingdon, VA.

Mr. Dyson is changing the paint color from yellow to gray on the structure with dark charcoal trim work. The door will be painted white.

Motion 1:

On a motion by Mrs. Hartshorn seconded by Mr. Weaver, the board approved the COA for the paint only.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Mike Owens

Aye

Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn	Aye
Mr. Michael Weaver	Aye
Mrs. Betsy White	Aye
Mr. Byrum Geisler	Aye

Mr. Dyson will be installing powder-coated handrails. Build an 8 x 12 wood deck with lattice, 6-panel door, demo staircase and rebuilding, exterior light fixture.

Mr. Dyson will have a 19" X 30" sign installed in front of the structure.

Motion 2:

On a motion by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. White, the board approved the remaining COA as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

5. Certificate of Appropriateness – Bradford & Smith, 158 W. Valley St. Street, Abingdon, VA, 24210; Owner. Jessica Cooke/Ryan Cooke, Jerry's Signs, 15775 Porterfield Hwy, Abingdon, VA 24210; Representative. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for signage. Located at 158 W. Valley Street, Abingdon, VA. Tax Map No. (012-1-60) (VIDEO 49:16 – 52:12)

Ryan Cooke represented the property located at 158 W. Valley St., Abingdon, VA.

Mr. Cooke explained that Jerry's Signs would remove the existing sign, install a new post and sign.

On a motion by Mr. Owens, seconded by Mrs. Hartshorn, the board approved the COA as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

6. Certificate of Appropriateness – Hope Thacker, 212 Salon Spa, 212 Valley St., Abingdon, VA, 24210; Owner. Jessica Cooke/Ryan Cooke, Jerry's Signs, 15775 Porterfield Hwy, Abingdon, VA 24210; Representative. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for signage. Located at 212 Valley Street, Abingdon, VA. Tax Map No. (012-1-60) (VIDEO 52:13 – 55:38)

Ryan Cooke represented the property located at 158 W. Valley St., Abingdon, VA.

Mr. Cooke said that a single-sided sign would be mounted on the brick façade and the bottom sign would be removed.

On a motion by Mrs. Hartshorn, seconded by Mr. Owens, the board approved the COA as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

7. Certificate of Appropriateness – Washington County Government; 1 Government Center, Abingdon, VA 24210; owner. William "Bill" Prince, BurWil Construction Co. 620 Locust ST. Bristol, TN, 37620; Representative. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for exterior change, addition, and driveway/parking area/landscaping. Located at 181 East Main Street, Abingdon, VA 24210. Tax Map No. (013-1-60) (VIDEO 55:39 – 1:19:05)

Mr. William "Bill" Prince represented the property located at 181 East Main Street, Abingdon, VA.

Mr. Prince asked if the board had viewed the new sample wall.

Mr. Prince went over the material list explaining the use of FRP fiberglass for the cornice and columns. Columns to have a steel post for strength and filled with foam, made to look like wood, seam joints to be caulked. Mortar should match the Courthouse. Handrails to be steel.

Mr. Vencill explained the need for an encroachment permit and to secure a bond.

On a motion by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. White, the board approved the COA as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

8. Certificate of Appropriateness – Abdelbassett Ayeb, 134 Wall Street, Abingdon, VA, 24210; Owner. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to build a shed, 4 feet off the rear of the structure with a pitched roof and mount a sign on the corner post.

Located at 134 Wall Street, Abingdon, VA 24210. Tax Map No. (019-2-16) (VIDEO 1:19:06 – 1:29:57)

Mr. Abdelbassett Ayeb represented the property located at 134 Wall St., Abingdon, VA.

Mr. Ayeb would like to build a shed at the rear of the restaurant using 2 x 2 posts with a sloping roof. The board explained that Mr. Ayeb could not use vinyl siding on the shed. The board suggested the use of Hardie board and black asphalt shingles for the roof.

Mr. Ayeb asked about placing a sign in front of the National Bank on Main Street to help with the foot traffic for Mamma Mia, Mr. Vencill explained that the sign is out of the prevue of the HPRB board. Mr. Ayeb will need to fill out a Town sign application and have the owner sign an owner's affidavit or have the owner apply for the sign permit.

On a motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Mrs. Hartshorn the board approved the COA for the shed using dimensions submitted, using accepted materials, asphalt shingles, and an appropriate door.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

9. Certificate of Appropriateness – Fields-Penn House, Town of Abingdon; Owner. Matt Henderson; Representative. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for the walkways, and ramp. Located at 208 West Main Street, Abingdon, VA 24210. Tax Map No. (012-1-125) (VIDEO 1:29:58 – 1:46:12)

Mr. Tyler Vencill represented the property located at 208 W. Main St., Abingdon, VA.

Mr. Vencill explained that a sloping brick sidewalk would be constructed to the front of the structure, move the existing fence back five feet and construct a brick sidewalk leading to the Main Street sidewalk, using existing brick if possible.

On a motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Mrs. Hartshorn the board approved the COA as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Mike Owens Aye
Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn Aye

Mr. Michael Weaver Abstained

Mrs. Betsy White Aye Mr. Byrum Geisler Aye

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS (VIDEO 1:46:13 – 1:48:18)

Mr. Humphreys thanked the board for their service. He also thanked Mr. Weaver for serving on the board and for his continued education as a member.

F. DISCUSSION (VIDEO 1:48:19 – 1:50:41)

1. Preservation Plan Discussion

Members decided to meet Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at 5:15 in the Arthur Campbell Room at Town Hall.

G. OLD BUSINESS/MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS

I. ADJOURNMENT

On Motion by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. Hartshorn, for the board to adjourn the meeting.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

Mr. Geisler declared the meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 P. M.

September 1, 2021 Regular Meeting

Byrum Geisler, Chairman

Tyler Vencia, Town Engineer and Interim Zoning Administrator