

**TOWN OF ABINGDON  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2022 – 5:15 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS– MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

A regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board was held on Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at 5:15 pm in the Council Chambers in the Municipal Building.

**A. WELCOME by – Mr. Byrum Geisler**

**B. ROLL CALL – Mr. Gabriel Cristofari, Senior Planner/GIS Specialist**

Members of the Board Present:       **Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn  
Mr. Byrum Geisler  
Mrs. Betsy White  
Mr. Peyton Boyd**

**Members Absent:                       Mr. Mike Owens**

**Comprising a quorum of the Board – Yes**

Administrative Town Staff:       Mrs. Mayana Rice, Assistant Town Manager  
Mr. Gabe Cristofari, Senior Planner/GIS Specialist  
Mr. Nick Howard, Planning Tech

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**C. CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS**

**1. Certificate of Appropriateness – Jimmy Caldwell, 222 Court Street, Abingdon, VA 24210. Owner. Certificate of Appropriateness for Exterior Changes. Located at 222 Court Street, Abingdon, VA 24210. Tax Map ID (013-3-1) (VIDEO 4:51 – 9:48)**

**A. Staff report**

**B. Applicant presentation**

**C. HPRB discussion and decision**

Gabe Cristofari provided the staff report.

Jimmy Caldwell (Applicant/Owner) has requested approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness to construct a deck located at the rear of the structure. The property is located on 222 Court Street (013-3-1). The property is within the Old and Historic Zoning District (Sub-District 7).

Currently there is an existing small wooden deck with wooden stairs located at the rear of the structure.

The proposed deck will be an extension/replacement of the existing wooden deck located at the rear of the structure. The deck will be expanded to run from the back door to the southeast corner of the structure. The placement of the stairs will not be changed however, some treads may be replaced if beyond repair.

The proposed deck will be constructed of primarily treated wood with bolts and anchors. The decking will be stained brown and the railing for the proposed deck will be wooden and painted white. The overall dimensions of the proposed deck are 21 ft. long x 12 ft. wide and 8 ft. tall from the ground to the deck. From the deck to the top of the railing will measure 43 in. tall.

As with the existing deck the proposed deck will be open underneath supported by wooden square posts stained brown. The proposed deck and railing will match another existing porch on the North elevation in design. The only difference between the two would be the proposed deck would not have a roof.

Applicant clarifies that only the porch floor will be stained. The posts will be painted white.

The paint will match the other decks on the house.

**On a motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Mrs. Hartshorn, the HPRB voted to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness as presented.**

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

<b>Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Byrum Geisler</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mrs. Betsy White</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Peyton Boyd</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**2. Certificate of Appropriateness – Peddling Jack’s; Derek Jones, 152 E Main Street, Abingdon, VA 24210. Owner. Certificate of Appropriateness for Signage. Located at 152 E Main Street, Abingdon, VA 24210. Tax Map ID (013-1-115) (VIDEO 9:50 - 12:15)**

**A. Staff report**

**B. Applicant presentation**

**C. HPRB discussion and decision**

Gabe Cristofari provided the staff report.

Derek Jones (Applicant/Owner) has requested approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness for a sign. The proposed signage will be hanging from the underside of the porch. The proposed sign was previously approved on February 16, 2022 for 114 N. Court Street. The property is located on 152 E. Main Street (013-1-115). The property is within the Old and Historic Zoning District (Sub-District 3).

Currently there is no existing sign located in the proposed location at 152 E. Main Street. A former business had a wall sign mounted to the face of the structure and a sign attached to a porch column. The Greenway Trigg Building had a freestanding sign structure where all the tenant signs were located. The tenant sign structure has been removed as renovations have taken place and there are no plans to reinstall it.

The applicant is proposing to move their previously approved hanging sign from 114 N. Court Street to 152 E. Main Street. The proposed sign will hang from the underside of the porch in the second bay from the east side of the structure, between two ornate porch columns using small eye screws. The installation is similar if not exact to how the Sonder sign was installed.

The previously approved sign was a synthetic wood with black design and lettering. Measurements for the sign are 18 in. x 24 in. = 3 sq. ft. No lighting was provided so staff has made the determination that no lighting is being requested.

The applicant brought the proposed sign with him to the meeting. This sign has been previously approved for Peddling Jack’s last location.

**On a motion by Mr. Boyd, seconded by Mrs. White, the board voted to approve the application as presented.**

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

<b>Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Byrum Geisler</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mrs. Betsy White</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Peyton Boyd</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**F. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**

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

- **Discussion on Outdoor Lighting**

The board agreed to have staff draft language for outdoor lighting to be added to the HPRB guidelines. This language will be presented to the board at a future regularly scheduled meeting.

- **Discussion on Temporary Signage**

Mayana Rice asked the board their opinion on if they would like staff to draft language to allow businesses to apply for a temporary sign permit, which would not require board approval. All temporary signs are currently prohibited in the OH district. The board agrees that they would like language presented to them that categorizes the different type of signage that may be seen around town, and what type of signage could be allowed under a temporary signage permit.

- **DHR Annual Report Questions**

Mr. Gabriel Cristofari received the Annual Report from DHR, which contained a series of questions for the board to answer. Mr. Cristofari posed these questions to the HPRB and they provided their answers regarding accomplishments made during this year as well as ways to improve moving forward.

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

**On Motion by Mrs. Hartshorn, seconded by Mrs. White, the board voted to adjourn the meeting.**

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

<b>Mrs. Kristi Hartshorn</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Byrum Geisler</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mrs. Betsy White</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Peyton Boyd</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**Mr. Geisler declared the meeting adjourned.**


**Meeting adjourned at 6:16 P. M.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Byrum Geisler, Chairman**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Gabriel Cristofari, Senior Planner/GIS  
Specialist**

November 30, 2022  
Special Called Meeting

  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Byrum Geisler, Chairman**

  
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