

MINUTES

**Barnstable Historical Commission
Town Hall
367 Main Street, Hyannis
Selectmen's Conference Room
September 16, 2014**

Laurie Young, Chair	Present
Marilyn Fifield, Clerk	Present
Nancy Clark	Present
Nancy Shoemaker	Present
George Jessop	Present
Len Gobeil	Absent
Ted Wurzburg	Absent
Paul Arnold, Alternate	Absent
Marylou Fair	Admin Assistant, GMD
Jo Anne Miller Buntich	Director, GMD

Acting Chair Laurie Young called the meeting to order at 4:10pm

Acting under the provisions of the Code of the Town of Barnstable, ss 112-1 through 112-7, the Historical Commission held a Public Hearing on the following application:

The following Applications were determined significant and referred to Public Hearing:

Beyer, Eric & Young-Beyer, Patricia, 418 South Main Street, Centerville, Map 207, Parcel 008

Built c.1890, Inventoried, Not in a National Register Historic District

Exterior Alterations

Represented by Steve Cook, Cotuit Bay Design, LLC

Mr. Cook detailed the project which includes the construction of a new chimney. This will require the relocation of two windows to be placed on either side of the chimney. The chimney will have a herringbone pattern and a nice design on top with chimney pots. Nancy Clark inquired about the two windows on the right elevation identified on drawing A2 and Steve Cook stated that these windows will be replaced with French doors or perhaps even an older looking door. Nancy Shoemaker confirmed that the windows would not be replaced with sliding doors. Nancy Clark commented that the porch which was replaced last year looks great.

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark, seconded by Nancy Shoemaker, that the Historical Commission finds, after review and consideration of public testimony, application and record file for partial demolition proposed for the single family home proposed at 418 South Main Street, Centerville, that the structure to be partially demolished is not a preferably preserved significant portion of the building.

So Voted Unanimously (Young, Fifield, Clark, Shoemaker)

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark, seconded by Nancy Shoemaker, that in accordance with Chapter 112F the Historical Commission determines that the partial demolition proposed for the single family home located at 418 South Main Street, Centerville would not be detrimental to the historical, cultural or architectural heritage or resource of the Town.

So Voted Unanimously (Young, Fifield, Clark, Shoemaker)

NOTE: George Jessop arrived at 4:16pm

McPherson, Susan, 38 Hawthorne Avenue, Hyannis, Map 286, Parcel 008

Built 1908, Not Inventoried, Contributing Building in Hyannis Port National Register Historic District

Remove Existing Foundation, Walkout Walls, Window

Represented by Steve Cook, Cotuit Bay Design, LLC

Steve Cook explained that this is a typical summer house with no basement. They propose to remove the foundation and walkout walls as the house is in the new flood zone. They plan to lift the building, pour a new foundation on the north elevation and partial foundation on the west and east elevations. The new slab will be above the flood area and a new patio is proposed. The main part of the building will remain intact. Nancy Clark asked what is proposed to cover the new cement foundation and Steve Cook confirmed wooden shakes on the walkout side and on the east, south & west elevations, there will be shingles, same as what is there now. The proposed two double slider doors may become a French door.

Chair Young reminded the members that the property is a contributing building within the Hyannis Port National Register Historic District, requiring this Commission to make a determination on if this is a substantial alteration. If so, a referral to the Cape Cod Commission would be necessary.

Nancy Clark asked if the new proposed doors are sliding doors and Steve Cook replied that they are. Currently, the 2nd story windows are sliding windows. George Jessop asked if it was necessary to take off the buttresses as they are a unique defining feature of the building and one worth saving. It would not make the sliding doors proposed any less usable. He also asked how much the building will be raised for the new foundation and Steve Cook stated approximately one foot to eighteen inches.

Nancy Clark concurred that if the buttresses remain, she believes this would not be a substantial alteration. Steve Cook conferred with the homeowner who was present, and they agreed to keep the buttresses and he requested a continuation so that he could revise the proposed plans.

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark, seconded by Marilyn Fifield, to continue the application of Susan McPherson at 38 Hawthorne Avenue, Hyannis to the October 21, 2014 hearing to be held at 4:30pm for modification to plans.

So Voted Unanimously (Young, Fifield, Clark, Shoemaker, Jessop)

Other Business

Minutes of July 15, 2014

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Nancy Clark to Approve the Minutes of July 15, 2014 as Submitted.

So Voted Unanimously (Young, Fifield, Clark, Shoemaker, Jessop)

Nominations for Vice Chair

Motion duly made by Nancy Shoemaker, seconded by George Jessop to nominate Nancy Clark as Vice Chair.

So Voted Unanimously (Young, Fifield, Clark, Shoemaker, Jessop)

Website – Content Update

Chair Young reported that there is still a need for content and tabled the discussion to the next scheduled meeting of October 21, 2014.

Communications from Commissioners

CPC Update – Marilyn Fifield

Marilyn Fifield reported that a Letter of Intent was received from Sturgis Library asking for \$250,000 for construction of a new archival storage space and the replacement of the HVAC system. They have been working with a consultant on the recommended Historic Structure Report and these findings from the report will guide the proposed projects.

Upcoming Village Events

Nancy Shoemaker reported that the Barnstable Historical Society is sponsoring a 375th Anniversary Sunset Cruise with fireworks will be held Saturday, September 20th and also the Town Picnic will be held Sunday, September 21st. On Monday, September 22nd, the West Barnstable Historical Society will sponsor a book party at the West Barnstable Fire Station at 7pm to promote their book on the history of West Barnstable.

With no further business before this Commission, a motion was duly made by Nancy Clark, seconded by Nancy Shoemaker, to adjourn the Meeting at 4:40pm.

So Voted Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,
Marylou Fair, Recording Secretary
Edited by Commission Clerk, Marilyn Fifield