

Barnstable Historical Commission

MINUTES June 15, 2010

Meeting called to order at 4:05pm

Members Present: Jessica Rapp Grassetto, Nancy Clark, George Jessop, Nancy Shoemaker, Marilyn Fifield
Members Absent: Barbara Flinn, Len Gobeil
Staff Present: Jackie Etsten, Growth Management Department

DEMOLITION APPLICATIONS FILED

55 HIGH STREET, COTUIT, Map 035, Parcel 028 (Home Built 1883 – Inventoried)

Demolition of Barn

Represented by Laurie Hadley, owner

- Applicant is seeking to replace the barn; restoration is cost prohibitive; rear of structure is being held up by corrugated metal
- Should demolition be approved; rebuild will be as close to the original style as possible
- Seeking two solid doors; prefers two doors, but one would be acceptable as well
- Purpose of building will be as a garage
- Suggest front dimension be on the same footprint; as well as with a window to the side as in the original barn
- Age of structure unknown; fairly certain it is over 75 years old
- Believes there is a stone foundation; site visit suggested
- Dimensions requested by members; applicant will provide them
- Pressure treated wood is apparent where the structure meets the ground

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark and seconded by Nancy Shoemaker that the application for demolition of 55 High Street, Cotuit be referred to a public hearing to discover if the structure has any significance

VOTE: So voted unanimously

- Site visit scheduled for Friday, June 18, 2010 at 9:30am

271 WIANNO AVE, OSTERVILLE, Map 140, Parcel 128 (Home Built 1886 – Inventoried)

Demolition of Existing Carriage Shed/Garage and Reconstruction per plans approved 1/19/2010

Represented by Gordon Clark

- Original approved plans were to add on to existing building and move it to another location on the property; cost to move the building is not feasible
- No age documentation on the building; site visit by George Jessop identified new trim, three sides are shingled and one is clapboard; if the building is indeed older than 75 years then it falls under the demolition delay ordinance; Shoemaker states that some of the detail on the clapboard be reproduced; Mr. Clark states intent to duplicate the scalloped shingles
- Foundation appears to be poured concrete and cement blocks
- Plans have changed to rebuild exactly as proposed in the plans of 1/19/2010
- In reply to the question as to why this project is proceeding if the property is up for sale; Mr. Clark explained that the owners hope to rebuild the shed prior to sale

- Building has no foundation or floor joist to permit a building move
- Seeking to rebuild as approved and add a shed
- Prior use of the building unknown; interior shows no sign of occupancy *living use*; however, there is a chimney but no plumbing; possibly moved on to the cement slab
- No existing components of the barn are savable; Jessop states that windows older than 30 years may be worth saving

Motion duly made by Nancy Shoemaker and seconded by Nancy Clark to refer the application for demolition of existing carriage shed/garage and reconstruction to a public hearing and conduct a site visit

VOTE: So voted unanimously

- Site visit scheduled for Friday, June 18, 2010 at approximately 10:30am; inside access requested

INFORMAL DISCUSSION

68 Dale Avenue, Hyannis – Modifications update

Informal discussion with Mr. Gordon Clark

- Windows: two casement crank-out windows located in the front corner of the cottage (not historically significant – choosing to not replace windows); previously approved to replace with same
- Owners decided to remove the second floor for a cathedral ceiling in the kitchen, resulting in removal of the windows entirely
- Building's frame required removal of roof for straightening and increasing stability, saving and utilizing materials and rebuild: while cutting the center section of the roof out, the gable end will be left intact; outside appearance will look no different

OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Mass. Historical Commission re: Aquaculture Research Corp Wind Turbine

99 Chapin Beach Road, Dennis, MA

Update / Review

- Height: similar to the one proposed at Cape Cod Community College and to the Provincetown Monument; OKH made a visual comparison to the Sagamore Bridge
- No approval from Dennis Old King's Highway committee yet

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark and seconded by Marilyn Fifield to write a letter to the Massachusetts Historical Commission indicating shared concerns and impact on Barnstable Harbor

VOTE: Aye = Grassetti, Clark, Jessop, Fifield

Abstain = Shoemaker

- Jessop added the reference to the wind turbine at Country Garden and its difference in height and power generation, also noting that Country Garden's turbine is located in a commercial area.

CBI Consulting, Inc

Historic Building Study & Preliminary Cost Estimate and Historic Building Study of the Old Selectmen's Building

- Members need time to review; add to next meeting agenda
- Historic priorities with the Community Preservation Committee will be a topic of discussion at the coming Town Council Meeting

- Nancy Clark inquired if there is a list of pending historic projects; referred to Alisha Stanley, Growth Management Department
- Past practice shows that private properties were reviewed; should be included; a revolving loan fund would be beneficial as long as preservation restrictions on those properties are required; loan fund should be 'no interest'; a very large amount of money would need to be available to handle such an impact, with a requirement for private entities to repay loans

Election of Officers

Nominating committee will present at next meeting

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark and seconded by Nancy Shoemaker to adjourn the meeting

VOTE: So voted unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 5:07pm

** Further detail may be obtained by viewing the video via Channel 18 on demand at <http://www.town.barnstable.ma.us> **

Respectfully submitted by Theresa M. Santos
Growth Management Department
and Marilyn Fifield, Historical Commission Clerk