Town of Barnstable Old King's Highway Historic District Committee

MINUTES Wednesday, April 08, 2015 6:30pm

To all persons deemed interested or affected by the Town of Barnstable's Old King's Highway Historic District Act under Section 9 of Chapter 470, Acts of 1973 as amended. You are hereby notified that a hearing was held at the West Barnstable Community Building, 2377 Meetinghouse Way, Barnstable on the following application:

Carrie Bearse	Present
George Jessop	Present
Mary Blair Petiet	Absent
Ellen Merritt	Present
Paul Richard	Present

A quorum being met, Chair Bearse called the hearing to order at 6:30pm. The Chair explained the hearing and appeal process and invited the public to address the Committee and view the plans of interest when the application is called.

APPLICATIONS

Rogers, Holly, 1655 Main Street, West Barnstable, Map 196, Parcel 011

Install Solar Panels on Rear Roof Elevation

Represented by Nila Miller, Solar City Corp

Ms. Miller outlined the project and noted that the panels will be on the rear elevation of the house and not visible from Route 6A. Carrie Bearse confirmed that the house does sit back on the lot and George Jessop added that they will also incorporate panels on dormers which will make them hard to see.

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Paul Richard to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness (Exhibit A) for Holly Rogers at 1655 Main Street, West Barnstable as Submitted due to the placement of the solar panels on the south rear facing elevation and that the house sits back on the lot and the panels will not be seen from any public way. So Voted Unanimously

Thompson, Nicholas Trust, 2631 Main Street, Barnstable, Map 258, Parcel 045

Install Solar Panels on Side & Rear Roof Elevations & Install Ground Mount System Represented by Mark Robinson, New Day Energy

Mr. Robinson stated that he tried to take advantage of the south facing elevation and also added a ground mounted system as the homeowner's usage is high. Carrie Bearse voiced concern with the placement of some of the panels, especially if the trees that now hide the panels should come down. Mr. Robinson stated that the homeowners are trying to increase the vegetation in this area. Members reviewed the placement of the panels as shown on the map provided with the application. Carrie Bearse noted her concern is with the eight panels on the west elevation and the large array on the south elevation as both of these could be seen from Route 6A. Paul Richard also voiced concern as you can see the house as you round the corner on Route 6A. Discussion followed regarding the relocation of the eight panels on the west elevation and the option to tighten up the large array on the side elevation. It was determined that the large array would be visible from Route 6A as well. Mr. Robinson added that the panels would not be visible during the summer months when the leaves are in full bloom. Carrie Bearse stated that she agrees homeowners should take advantage of solar, but is concerned about the visibility as this would be the first house they have allowed panels to be seen along Route 6A. She suggested the contractor speak with the homeowners to discuss alternate locations for the panels. George Jessop agreed as this will also allow members to take another look at the visibility of the panels.

Motion duly made by Paul Richard, seconded by Ellen Merritt to Continue the Certificate of Appropriateness for the Nicholas Thompson Trust at 2631 Main Street, Barnstable to April 22, 2015 at 6:30pm.

So Voted Unanimously

Cullinan, Keith & Joanne, 33 Meridian Way, Barnstable, Map 319, parcel 009

Replace Existing 6' Fence, Install New 6' and 3' Fence with Arbor, Enclose Window Rear Elevation Represented by Keith Cullinan

Mr. Cullinan stated that 9 years ago, the Old King's Highway approved a fence that is now rotting. He would like to replace this fence with a vinyl fence and continue the fencing around the rear and side elevations to enclose the backyard. Carrie Bearse noted that this Committee rarely approves vinyl fencing and George Jessop added that you would still need to paint the fence as vinyl turns green and gets dirty because it is reflective. Paul Richard suggested pressure treated posts. Mr. Cullinan agreed to replace the existing and proposed fence with wood. Carrie Bearse confirmed the 3' section of fence will face Meridian Way. He also wishes to remove a rear window and enclose the opening.

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Paul Richard to Approve the Certificate of Appropriateness (Exhibit B) for Keith & Joanne Cullinan at 33 Meridian Way, Barnstable as Submitted and to enclose a window on the rear elevation.

So Voted Unanimously

CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTIONS

Spensley, Lynn, 89 Moco Road, West Barnstable, Map 195, Parcel 020

Change of Exterior Paint Color to Steeple Gray

Motion duly made by Ellen Merritt, seconded by Paul Richard to Approve the Certificate of Exemption (Exhibit C) for Lynn Spensley at 89 Moco Road, West Barnstable as Submitted. So Voted Unanimously

Lyons, Jack, 261 Sandy Neck, Barnstable, Map 303, Parcel 007

Repair & Upgrade Existing Pier & Redesign of Boat Lift

Motion duly made by Paul Richard, seconded by George Jessop to Approve the Certificate of Exemption (Exhibit D) for Jack Lyons at 261 Sandy Neck, Barnstable as Submitted. So Voted Unanimously

Kiceina, Joseph, 32 Wingfoot Drive, Barnstable, Map 349, Parcel 078

Construct 10' x 14' Shed

Motion duly made by Ellen Merritt, seconded by Paul Richard to Approve the Certificate of Exemption (Exhibit E) for Joseph Kiceina at 32 Wingfoot Drive, Barnstable as Submitted, noting that the location of the shed is the only location approved by Conservation Commission.

So Voted Unanimously

MINOR MODIFICATIONS

Takvorian, Carol, 46 Stonewall Drive, West Barnstable, Map 217, Parcel 050-001

Change in Material for Decking for North Elevation

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Ellen Merritt to Approve the Minor Modification (Exhibit F) for Carol Takvorian at 46 Stonewall Drive, West Barnstable for a change in material for railings. So Voted Unanimously

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 11, 2015

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Paul Richard to Approve the Minutes of February 11, 2015 as Submitted.

AYE: Bearse, Jessop, Richard

ABSTAIN: Merritt

February 25, 2015

Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Ellen Merritt to Approve the Minutes of February 25, 2015 as Submitted.

So Voted Unanimously

March 25, 2015 Motion duly made by George Jessop, seconded by Paul Richard to Approve the Minutes of March 25, 2015 as Submitted.

AYE: Bearse, Jessop, Richard

ABSTAIN: Merritt

Having no further business before this Committee, a motion was made by Paul Richard, seconded by Ellen Merritt to Adjourn the Meeting at 7:18pm. So Voted Unanimously

Respectfully submitted, Marylou Fair Recording Secretary

Exhibit A – Certificate of Appropriateness – File 196/011 dtd 04.08.2015 Exhibit B – Certificate of Appropriateness – File 319/009 dtd 04.08.2015

Exhibit C Certificate of Exemption – 2015 Exemption File dtd 04.08.2015

Exhibit D Certificate of Exemption – 2015 Exemption File dtd 04.08.2015

Exhibit E Certificate of Exemption – 2015 Exemption File dtd 04.08.2015

Exhibit F – Minor Modification – File 217/050-001 dtd 2.25.2015