

MINUTES

**Barnstable Historical Commission
Town Hall
367 Main Street, Hyannis
Selectmen's Conference Room
May 20, 2014**

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

Acting Chair Laurie Young called the meeting to order at 4:00pm

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 previously determined significant and referred to public hearing:

**Farquar, Douglas & Franklin, Ann, 94 Summerbell Avenue, Centerville, Map 226, Parcel 061
Partial Demolition for Addition**

(Built c.1905, Inventoried)

Represented by Joe Nomojko, KSA Design

Mr. Nomojko stated that the homeowners wish to construct a small addition 12' x 16' off the north front elevation of the house. They would also be removing the 2nd floor dormer and taking off a portion of the porch. Nancy Clark asked if the entire porch would be removed, and Mr. Nomojko indicated just the portion identified in the photograph included with the application, which is approximately six feet. The porch would be extended along the other side and the roof line as well. The 2nd story would be stepped back two feet, and a new foundation would go under the new section to be added.

The Chair opened discussion for public comment, and Jim Lane, a direct abutter, noted that the homeowners have shared the plans with him, and he felt that the changes would not disturb the integrity of the house.

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark, seconded by Len Gobeil, that the Historical Commission finds, after review and consideration of public testimony, application and record file for demolition proposed at 94 Summerbell Avenue, Centerville, that the portions of the structure to be demolished are not preferably preserved.

So Voted Unanimously

Motion duly made by Len Gobeil, seconded by Ted Wurzburg, that in accordance with Chapter 112F the Historical Commission determines that the demolition of the proposed portions of the structure located at 94 Summerbell, Centerville, would not be detrimental to the historical, cultural or architectural heritage or resource of the Town.

So Voted Unanimously

Christian Camp Meeting Assoc, 251 Lake Elizabeth Drive, Centerville, Map 227, Parcel 009

Partial Demolition for Installation of Windows, Rear Elevation

(Built 1887, Inventoried, Contributing Building in Craigville National Register Historic District)

Represented by Jim Lane

Mr. Lane explained to the Commission that when the Tabernacle was built, there were originally two rectangular windows at the rear elevation. In the 1940s the circular stained glass window was donated and he believed the windows were covered over to showcase the circular window. He noted that the elevation faces the rear woods. Nancy Clark asked if the windows that are going back in are smaller. Mr. Lane stated that they are the exact same size, as they have historically researched the original windows.

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark, seconded by Ted Wurzburg, in accordance with Chapter A, Enabling Regulations of the Code of the Cape Cod Commission Regulations, Section 1(c) Definition of Substantial Alteration, that the Historical Commission does not find that the proposed demolition of the portions of the building located 251 Lake Elizabeth Drive, Centerville, would constitute an alteration that jeopardizes its status as a contributing structure in a National Register Historic District.

AYE: Young, Fifield, Jessop, Gobeil, Wurzburg

ABSTAIN: Clark

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark, seconded by Paul Arnold, that the Historical Commission finds, after review and consideration of public testimony, application and record file for demolition proposed at 251 Lake Elizabeth Drive, Centerville, that the portions of the structure to be demolished are not preferably preserved significant portions of the building as identified on plans prepared by Larry Gordon Architectural Design dated 8/7/2013.

So Voted Unanimously

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark, seconded by Len Gobeil, that in accordance with Chapter 112F the Historical Commission determines that the proposed demolition of portions of the structure located at Lake Elizabeth Drive, Centerville, would not be detrimental to the historical, cultural or architectural heritage or resource of the Town.

Wolsieffer, Diane, 955 Main Street, Osterville, Map 117, Parcel 163

Demolition of Chimney

(Built 1851, Inventoried)

Represented by Diane Wolsieffer & Tim MacNamara

Diane Wolsieffer stated that she had a couple of builders look at the chimney and was told it has no integrity to the house. It is crumbling and does not involve a working fireplace. Nancy Clark asked if they plan to put up a fake chimney, and Ms. Wolsieffer stated that she was not planning on this. Nancy Clark voiced concern that nothing will go back up. Ted Wurzburg concurred that this chimney is significant and a replacement of some kind is in order. He asked if they considered even a plywood chimney with a brick veneer, and Nancy Clark asked if a mason had taken a look for the purpose of repointing and stabilizing it. She suggested the applicant request a continuance to gather additional information, and Ms. Wolsieffer agreed. Len Gobeil added that this house is located in an open area on Main Street and is very visible.

Motion duly made by Nancy Clark, seconded by Len Gobeil, to continue the Notice of Intent to Demolish Application to June 17, 2014, at 4:00pm.

So Voted Unanimously

Other Business

Website – Content Update

Laurie Young stated that she is looking for a standard format for pictures and text and provided a sample. Nancy Clark asked if she plans on only a 72 dpi for the photos, and Laurie Young explained that this is because it is going on the web. Nancy Clark stated that when she likes a picture, she clicks on it to enlarge it. Jo Anne Buntich noted that the subcommittee may not have had this level of discussion but that the overall goal is to get a lot of photos on the website, perhaps some large and some smaller.

Preservation Award Ceremony Discussion

Laurie Young suggested an award category should be considered for commercial buildings as well. She also stated that it may not be necessary to have one nomination for each Village, but as they are renovated, they could be recognized. These nominations could be put up on the website as well. She is thinking of a September timeframe. Marilyn Fifield stated that she tends to oppose awards, but strongly favors recognition of all deserving properties, rather than singling one above all others that may be equally deserving. And she felt that any awards would require adopting standards and guidelines.

Ted Wurzburg added that recognition could focus on different aspects, which did the most with the least money, commercial, private, etc.

Jo Anne Miller Buntich noted that you could have a scenario where you have given a property an award, and then it comes before this Commission for a complete demolition a year later. These are questions that need to be answered and she will look into it.

Intent to Demolish Form Update

This item was continued to the next Agenda

Correspondence Received

. **Nitsch Engineering letter dated 4/15/2014 re: Section 106 Review**

. **e-mail dated 4/24/2014 from Bob Katcher re: volunteers for announcers at Summer Concert Series**

The Commission acknowledged receipt of the above correspondence.

Communications from Commissioners

CPC Update – Marilyn Fifield

Marilyn Fifield was disappointed to report that Stones Antiques in the Hyannis Main Street Historic District, will be demolished, as CPC voted to recommend Town purchase of the property for development of a pocket park.

Approval of Minutes

March 18, 2014

Motion duly made by Marilyn Fifield, seconded by Laurie Young, to approve the minutes of March 18, 2014.

So Voted Unanimously

With no further business before this Commission, a motion was duly made by Paul Arnold, seconded by Nancy Clark, to adjourn the meeting at 5:16pm.

So Voted Unanimously

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