

Minutes
Regular Meeting of the
Aberdeen Historic Preservation Commission

May 20, 2013
Monday, 5:00 p.m.

Robert N. Page Municipal Building
Aberdeen, North Carolina

The Aberdeen Historic Preservation Commission met on Monday, May 20, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. for the Regular Meeting. Members present were Chairperson Dell Crumpton, Mike Lashley, Mollie Wilson, and Kam Hurst. Others in attendance were Senior Planner Pamela Graham, Permit Technician Amy Fulp, Bryon Morris, and Toby & Elaine Schwanger.

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Dell Crumpton called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

a. Regular scheduled meeting of March 18, 2013.

Chairperson Dell Crumpton made a motion, seconded by Mike Lashley, to approve the minutes from the meeting of March 18, 2013 with corrections. Motion unanimously carried.

3. New Business

All parties who would like to give evidence or testimony were sworn in before doing so.

a. Consideration of Certificate of Appropriateness COA #10-57 for exterior siding replacement at 201 N. Sycamore Street.

Pam Graham stated that Pete, from Aberdeen Supply, came to her with a plan to replace the metal siding on their building. She showed a photo of the type siding Pete would like to use and how he intends on installing it.

Pam Graham stated that the building is listed as a non-contributing structure in the district. Because so many alterations had been done to the building, it is not considered as contributing to the district.

Mollie Wilson stated that the siding will be quite an improvement over the metal siding in place. Pam Graham stated that she did not know how much of the building's metal siding would be replaced.

Chairperson Dell Crumpton asked about the historic guidelines and do they allow vertical siding? Pam Graham stated that other historic wood siding types, including drop siding, flush siding, and board-and-batten, are found on houses in the Historic District.

Chairperson Dell Crumpton asked if Pete were replacing the siding because the building had problems. Pam Graham stated that she was not aware of any problems; they just wanted to improve the building.

A motion was made by Mike Lashley that the applicant's proposal is compatible with the historic aspects of the Aberdeen Historic District in respect to the materials used and type siding authorized, seconded by Kam Hurst. Motion unanimously carried.

- b. Consideration of Certificate of Appropriateness COA #10-58 for exterior siding and roof replacement at 615 E. Main Street.

Chairperson Dell Crumpton stated that the applicants would like to replace asbestos siding with cedar lap siding and repaint same color as current. They would also like to replace asphalt shingles with metal roofing.

Pam Graham stated they are looking at selective replacement of the siding based on the need for repair, and the replacement of the roof. It is very doubtful that any of the materials are original to the structure because the structure predates those types of materials. Pam Graham showed samples of the materials that the Schwanger's propose to use.

Elaine Schwanger stated the old shingles were broken and in need of repair and they would be using cedar siding. Cedar siding had already been used on other parts of the house, so it would be matching what was already there.

Chairperson Dell Crumpton stated because she is neighbors with the Schwanger's then she should recuse herself. Pam Graham stated that Chairperson Dell Crumpton was one of the notified property owners because she was within 200 ft of the property.

Kam Hurst asked if they needed to separate the request into two parts, one for the roof and one for the siding. Pam Graham stated it would not be necessary, if they ran into issues, they could amend a portion later.

Mike Lashley asked is part of the house already had lap siding and Elaine Schwanger stated yes.

Elaine Schwanger stated that the roof color will be green. Mollie Wilson stated that she did not have a problem with it.

A motion was made by Mollie Wilson that the applicant's proposal is compatible with the historic aspects of the Aberdeen Historic District, seconded by Mike Lashley. Motion unanimously carried.

- c. Consideration of Certificate of Appropriateness COA #10-59 for exterior awning and lighting at 104 W. Main Street.

Pam Graham stated the applicant is requesting awning replacement and new exterior light fixtures. She showed a picture of what the building should look like with the improvements.

Chairperson Dell Crumpton asked what the material was for the lights. Mr. Morris stated he thought it was some type of aluminum, he wasn't sure, but they are for outdoor use. He did feel the new lighting was more in the historic feel and it may show off his business more.

Mr. Morris stated he felt like the store front would bring in more customers and a new awning would look more professional. The awning that is on the building now does not fit well and is faded.

Kam Hurst asked about three lights on one piece of conduit and how that would be handled? Mr. Morris stated he planned to put up the conduit where it would not be seen, in between the brick and the window sill so the wire cannot be seen.

Mollie Wilson asked about zoning, the size and number of signs? Pam Graham stated he is allowed one wall or awning sign plus a window sign. As far as the size, if Mr. Morris were to be approved, that part would have to go through zoning.

Chairperson Dell Crumpton asked Mr. Morris if he would be using "hair, face, and body" on his awning. Mr. Morris stated he was unsure but thought it looks classy and he wanted to let people know that he does more than just cut hair.

Chairperson Dell Crumpton asked would the awning and window look exactly as the picture shows. Mr. Morris stated his graphic artist came up with the picture and he feels like it looks very uniform.

Chairperson Dell Crumpton asked if they were to approve the awning, are they also approving the graphics or is that part of the signage? Pam

Graham stated it is a historic matter but they cannot control content, it could be recommended that Staff look at the signage before it is done.

Mike Lashley asked would the awning and sign basically be the same as the picture and Mr. Morris said yes.

A motion was made by Mike Lashley that the applicant's proposal is compatible with the historic aspects of the Aberdeen Historic District. Any minor changes to the proposal may be reviewed by Staff, and efforts are to be made to conceal the conduit on the lighting. Motion was amended to include the light fixtures are to be a metal material, motion seconded by Kam Hurst. Motion unanimously carried.

d. Discussion of exterior lighting change at 106 N. Pine Street.

Pam Graham stated Kam Hurst had previously been approved for a new exterior light fixture at her house. Kam Hurst stated that a cousin backed over the new fixture and it could not be saved. There was a concrete slab with three metal posts sticking out of the ground with a raw wire where the fixture had been, and it was presenting a danger.

Kam Hurst stated when she went to Lowes to pick up a new fixture they did not have the same style any longer. She had three choices to pick from and she picked the one that looked the best.

Mollie Wilson made a motion that the applicant's proposal for a modification of an exterior lighting on 106 N. Pine Street is compatible with the historic aspects of the Aberdeen Historic District with respect to exterior lighting. Motion is seconded by Mike Lashley. Vote unanimously carried.

4. Adjourn

A motion was made by Mollie Wilson, seconded by Kam Hurst, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

Amy Fulp, Permit Technician
Minutes were completed in
Draft form on June 12, 2013

Dell Crumpton, Chairperson
Minutes were approved
on June 17, 2013