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Historic District Commission
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Minutes



Thursday, December 20, 2018

In attendance: Christopher Scott-Chairman, Susan Catling-Vice Chairman, Edith Blake, Cassie Bradley, Cari Williamson (A), Minah Worley (A), Molly Costello (A)
Absent: Julia Celeste, Peter Rosbeck & Ken Magnuson. Staff: Bricque Garber.

Chairman Scott called the meeting to order at 4:04.

4:00 – 44 & 46 Main St. Behind the Bookstore. Sean Murphy/agent. Applicant proposes seasonal installation of 5 green canvas awnings and retractable rain canopy as previously approved. Sean made his presentation noting that there were no issues with the tent/rain during the 2018 Season and noted that all previous use conditions shall apply. Motion to approve: Cassie Bradley. 2nd, Minah Worley. Unanimously approved noting previous season's conditions will apply.

4:15 – 131 N. Water St. (20B-107) Harbor View Hotel Owner LLC. Sean Murphy/agent. Applicant proposes changes to approved plans for both the Hotel and the Mayhew. Sean displayed the plans for the **hotel** first. Showing plans to the members including the approved and the proposed changes to the approved. Change to windows at the Edgartown Room & remove the shutters and replace of the ramp & new laundry vent. Mr. Murphy noted that this should screen the plastic lattice (viewed at the last site visit) but if it does not they will come up with another remedy to disguise the offending plastic lattice. The shutters will be Atlantic Shutters, dark green, with true hinges and pins. They will replace all the shutters. Edgartown room windows to be 6x1 Pella windows. The change to the handicap ramp creates more open feel to the ramp. As the ramp is not historic, it was noted that the changes appear reasonable and it is less massive. Q: Will the new balusters match the existing? A: Yes. There was a conversation about perspective and plans and it was noted that they are reverting to existing conditions in many areas. Motion to approve the current changes, Susan Catling. 2nd, Chris Scott. No further discussion, voted to approve.

Mayhew building. Mr. Murphy recapped the previous submissions and described the current application as dealing with glass doors only as the decks will stay and not

be enclosed due to structural and cost issues. Today's proposal is to remove 1970 sliders and replace with Pella sliders. French doors are not usable for hotel use due to the wind issues. The replacements will be made on both sides of the building. Mr. Murphy said that they may want to replace the railings in the future and, if so, will return for approval. Motion to Approve, Susan Catling. 2nd, Cari Williamson. Approved.

4:25 –4:35- 23 & 21 N. Summer St. (20D-342.4 & 342.5) Pat and Don Griesdorn. Joseph W. Dick/agent. Applicant proposes to repair terrace's Bluestone floor and connect the two terraces, make propane tanks less visible by reducing their number and painting them Edgartown (Essex) Green. Mr. Dick made the presentation to the members and displayed the plans and photographs. The current terraces are in poor condition and are sloped toward the building creating water issues. He proposes to continue the common border using existing materials and matching the materials, where needed. Q: Cottage B and C will have a connection between them. A: Yes. Q: Is this is Village Green? A: Yes. Q: How many propane tanks are being removed? A: 2. Mr. Dick showed additional photos on his ipad. The members noted that they do not see this as rising to the need for a Public Hearing and considered this relatively minor change. There were no further questions. Motion to approve, Cassie Bradley. 2nd, Minah Worley. Approved.

Old/New Business:

Mr. Scott provided a **Yellow House** update primarily regarding the timing delays which have been encountered regarding the preservation easement. It appears that the preservation easement has been satisfied but given the timing issues the developer will not begin construction until after Labor Day 2019. The construction on the small building will start sooner. It was noted, by members, that there are exposed areas on the parking lot side of the building where shingles were removed for repair to the Gazette building and voiced concern regarding weather intrusion.

Menaca Hill/8 Calebs Pond, update. The MVC has continued the hearing of planned demolition. The dates in the demo application were challenged. There was a meeting with representatives of Chappy Beach Club, the ZBA administrator, the Con Com administrator, Planning Board administrator & the HDC administrator to discuss the feasibility of moving the historic structure to a site at the Beach Club. There has been a visit. Chris Scott described the building as a sweet Victorian cottage. The parties will work toward a solution that will allow for the preservation and possible move of the structure. It was noted by the members that this building has historic significance and is very visible in its current location.

Zoning Bylaw change for R-5. Bricque introduced a proposed bylaw amendment that would limit overall ground coverage in the R-5 district to 40%. "Ground Coverage" shall mean all land area that is covered by impervious or roofed improvements. A draft of the proposed by law was discussed. Motion to approve the amendment, Susan Catling. 2nd, Cari Williamson. Unanimously supported.

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing for Zoning Bylaw amendments including this one on January 22, 2019.

Kelley House: Bricque noted conversations with Mr. Little regarding a proposed brick entry area to match the new sidewalk (TBD) and the placement of a bronze plaque (not yet designed) of approx. 18” diameter flush within the brick entry area. The members can see no objection to the brick entry way or the plaque at approx 18” in diameter but noted any change is subject to approval by the HDC.

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Motion to approve Susan Catling. 2nd, Cari Williamson. Approved by vote of the members in attendance on Dec. 6, 2018. Edith, Cassie, Susan & Cari.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 with best wishes to all for a Wonderful Holiday!

Respectfully submitted:

Bricque Garber, Assistant

Approved: _____ 1.3.19
Christopher Scott, Chairman