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Historic District Commission

~MINUTES~
JULY 1, 2014



Members in attendance: James Cisek, Chairman, Carole Berger, Vice-chairman, Beverly Fearey, Edith Blake, David Thompson, Bill Bishop. Absent: Robbie Hutchison. Staff: Bricque Garber.

Chairman Cisek called the meeting to order at 4:00.
Bob Stevenson, possible alternate candidate, attended the meeting.

68 Winter St. (20D-110.1-110.6) 68 Winter St. Trust/Thomas McGrath. (*Edgartown Lodge*) - Change to an approved plan. Applicant proposes to replace old stockade fence with new cedar fence, painted white. Raphael Magri appeared as agent for Mr. McGrath. Pictures of the original fence were shown to the commissioners along with a picture of the proposed style of the replacement fence. The new fence will be a board fence (not stockade) with a cap board on the top. The fence is planned to be cedar, painted white. The original fence was stockade in very poor condition. The old stockade fence was weathered gray. Mr. Magri did not appear before the commission to discuss the fence. There was discussion regarding the height and the 'solid' look of the fence. There was concern about close proximity of 3 different fence types and a suggestion to further discuss this fence with Mr. McGrath to see if there can be some compromise on style that will provide privacy but not be so solid in appearance. Motion to continue, Bill Bishop. 2nd, David Thompson. Continued.

58 Dock St. (20D-297) MV Preservation Trust. (*Old Sculpin Gallery*)
Meg Rothman/agent. Applicant proposes the installation of a wooden board fence and matching gate to hide trash area facing Memorial Wharf. Meg Rothman attended the meeting to provide pictures and a description of the proposed new fence. Motion to approve as presented Bill Bishop. 2nd, Carole Berger. Approved

99 Main St. (20D-64) MV Preservation Trust. (*Daniel Fisher House*)
Meg Rothman/agent. Applicant proposes the installation of a 6 ft. white wood fence with gate on the west side of the Daniel Fisher House. Meg Rothman attended the

meeting to provide pictures and a description of the proposed new Cedar fence to be painted white, noting that the currently planted Rhododendrons are dead, and the utilities are quite visible. James Cisek asked why the fence needs to be six ft. tall. It was shown that the electrical meters are quite high on the wall. The fence would be 29x12 feet. The length and height were discussed and concerns as to the height were noted. Meg said there will be planting in front of the fence. James Cisek suggested a, site visit and asked Meg to stake the perimeters of the proposed fence. Meg agreed and the application was continued for the meeting on July 15, with a site visit at 3:30 on the same day.

New/Old Business:

Minutes: 6.17.14

Motion to approve the minutes, Bill Bishop. 2nd, Carole Berger. Approved.

Expansion: After studying the booklet from the MA Historical Commission regarding the establishment and expansion of Historic Districts, Bricque suggested that a letter be sent to all those people who may be included in a possible expansion of the district. The letter, based on the MAHC suggested format, would be sent with a short questionnaire. This would be an initial step in gauging the public's desirability of expanding the current historic district. Much discussion ensued. Mr. Thompson feels strongly that there could be financial implications for homeowners and those financial implications should be addressed. Mr. Cisek thinks it is a good idea to take the "pulse" of the area homeowners and sees the survey as a democratic way to ascertain the wishes and concerns of the public. Bill Bishop and Carole Berger suggested that the letter & survey provide information to direct interested parties to the Town website so that they may read the current bylaws and guidelines. Bricque will work on a new draft of the letter. Motion to continue the discussion was made by Carole. Berger. 2nd, Beverly Fearey. Continued to 7.15.14.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:57.

Respectfully submitted:

Bricque Garber

Approved: _____ 7.15.14
James Cisek, Chairman