

Easton Historic District Commission
Easton, Maryland
April 12, 2010

Members Present: Roger Bollman, Chairman, John Sener, Mark Beck, Kurt Herrmann, and Joyce DeLaurentis.

Absent: Mac Brittingham and Lena Gill.

Mr. Bollman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Opening statement given by the Chairman.

The Commission operates under the authority granted to it by section 701 of the Town of Easton Zoning Ordinance. And, I hereby open the record of the public hearing on cases heard this evening and, in accordance with our legal responsibilities, I enter into the record the following items: notice of the public hearing, adopted design guidelines, resumes of commission members and any consultants used by the Commission, records of any previous meetings, and any letters to the Commission on a case.

The decisions of the HDC may be appealed within 30 days of approval.

General Order of the hearing of Applications

- *Introduction of the application by the presiding officer*
- *Presentation by the applicant or his agent*
- *Questions by members of the Commission*
- *Public comment*
- *Petitioner rebuttal*
- *Discussion and consideration by the Commission*
- *Decision motion and statement of Basis for Decision*
- *The applicant may withdraw the application at any time up to when the vote is taken*

A Certificate of Appropriateness shall lapse upon the expiration of the corresponding Building Permit. For applications that require a building permit but for which none is issued, this Certificate of Appropriateness shall lapse six (6) months after its issuance. In the event a building permit is not required, the Certificate of Appropriateness shall lapse six (6) months from its issuance if substantial work is not underway. For good cause shown, this period may be extended by the Commission.

The agenda for the evening was accepted.

Staff Approvals:

- None

Consent Docket Items:

- 20-2010 302 E. Dover St – Re-Roof like and same; A 5-0.

15-2010 8 Brookletts Ave. Harriett Page, Owner, Daniel Arnold, Contractor.

This application covers a replacement deck at the rear of the house. At the meeting, the application was revised to include a trellis along the east edge of the deck (see photo). All components will be wood.

The application meets the Guidelines on pg 59, corollary of NR 1 &3.

Approved as noted above – Motion by Herrmann, passed 5-0.

16-2009 7B Goldsborough St. James Sisson, Tenant.

This application covers the retroactive approval of a hanging sign at this address (already in place).

The application meets the Guidelines on pg 68 R2.

Approved as Submitted – Motion by Beck, approved 4-1, Sener dissenting.

While not the subject of this application, the applicant was strongly advised to remove the bright yellow “We Buy” sign listing various services from the outside wall and display it inside the window.

17-2010 606 Goldsborough St. Kody Cario, Owner.

This application covers the installation of a wood fence at the property. Details of the location and design are included with the application.

The application meets the Guidelines on pg 32 R4.

Approved as Submitted – Motion by Sener, passed 5-0.

20-2010 302 E. Dover St. Jerry Barrow, Contractor.

This application covers sealing a presently non-functional steel door in a non-contributing building with brick veneer. At the meeting it was explained that the outline of the doorway will be retained by the method of bricking (“stacking”).

The application is compatible with the spirit of the Guidelines for an alteration to a non-contributing building.

Approved as Submitted – Motion by DeLaurentis, passed 5-0.

18-2010 408 Goldsborough St. Kurt Herrmann, Contractor.

This application covers two retractable sun shades for the porch at this address.

The application meets the Guidelines on pg 64, corollary of NR3/

Approved as Submitted – Motion by Beck, passed 4-0, Herrmann recused.

19-2010 402 Goldsborough St. Kurt Herrmann, Contractor.

The application covers in-kind replacement of a wood fence at this property.

The application meets the Guidelines on pg 32 R5.

Approved as Submitted – Motion by Beck, passed 4-0, Herrmann recused.

71-2009 205 S. Hanson St. Daniel Arnold, Contractor.

This application is an amendment to a previous approval. Here, the applicant now wishes to install a section of 6’ wood fence where 4’ had been previously approved.

The application is consistent with the Guidelines on pg 33, corollary of NR2.

Approved as Submitted – Motion by DeLaurentis, passed 5-0.

5-2010 209 Goldsborough St. David Smith, Owner.

This application covers a corrugated, Corten steel metal roof and two new windows in the south façade of the barn at the address. The roof is approved as submitted and is consistent with the Guidelines on pg 55.

At the meeting, the applicant revised the requested windows. They will now be two 2'-5" x 2'-10", wood barn sash windows located beside and equidistant from the south façade man door (see cut sheet). The man door will not be removed. The addition of windows to the south façade is appropriate for the continuing use of this historic building and fulfills the spirit of the Guidelines expressed on pg 34 R1.

18-2009 5 Earle Ave. Lauren Dianich, Architect.

This application is an amendment to a previously approved application at this address. The building is non-contributing. Here changes are being made to window locations and window style. These changes are shown on Atelier 11 drawings A 2.1 and A 2.2, dated 2/25/10.

The changes are consistent with the previously approved project.

Approved as Submitted – Motion by Beck, passed 5-0.

Other Business

- 625 and 629 Goldsborough St. – A fence has been installed without approval and will be referred to the Planning Office for appropriate action.
- The previous approval for application 18-2009 was extended (A 5-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Bollman, Chairman
Historic District Commission

cc: Zach Smith