

**Easton Historic District Commission**  
**Easton, Maryland**  
**February 8, 2010**

**Members Present:** Roger Bollman, Chairman, Mark Beck, Mac Brittingham, John Sener, and Joyce DeLaurentis.

**Absent:** Kurt Herrmann, 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:** no action

**91-2008      211 S. Hanson St.      Peter Rohman, Representative.**

This is an addition to a previous application and covers the landscape plans for the property which are shown on the attached Leatherman Landscaping sketch and plant material list.

It complies with the Guidelines on pg 30 R2.

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

**04-2010      216 S. Hanson St.      Daniel Arnold, Contractor.**

This application covers a new Pella aluminum, full glass, storm door for the front door as shown on the included catalog.

Although it is metal framed, the HDC approves the door and notes that the Guidelines' recommendation for wood likely envision the old style aluminum door, not the current anodized metal door that is more compatible.

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

**06-2010      8 West St.      Carl Treat, Owner.**

This application covers: a sidewalk extension, a new door/sidelight/transom unit to replace an existing door in the new building, and a new hanging sign.

The sidewalk extension joins an existing gate in the fence with the sidewalk on the property and is approved as submitted.

The replacement door unit will be an integral unit consisting of a door, 12" side lights, and a transom. The door is shown on pg 126 of the attached ThermaTru catalog and will be a ¾ lite with panels at the bottom. The glass in the sidelites will match the length and position of the door glass. They will also include matching panels. The transom will span the unit width. The existing light scones will have to be moved outward to facilitate the new unit. This complies with the Guidelines on pg 49 and is approved as modified.

The new hanging sign over the above entrance will be of MDO material and similar to the sign on the front of the old building. It will measure 12"x72" (max length). The text on the sign will only be: the business name and the business logo. It complies with the spirit of the Guidelines on pg 66.

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

**03-2010      212 S. Hanson St.      Arthur Albright, Contractor.**

This application covers alterations to the rear of the south façade of the building. Here two non-original windows are to be removed, an existing doorway will be moved 24" toward the street (west), and the steps to the doorway will be relocated.

At the meeting it was agreed that:

- Removal of the windows will be as proposed, but the former openings will require unobtrusive patching. This will be achieved by re-siding the entire wall where the windows were removed.
- The proposed ½ light steel door (shown on the included cut sheet) and brickmold is approved but the door will have no grills. It was noted that the building already has a steel door.
- The concrete steps to the existing door will be removed and replaced by brick steps to the new door.

The application is now consistent with Guidelines pg 48, R2 and R4.

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

**05-2010      209 Goldsborough St.      James Tyler, Contractor; David Smith,  
Owner.**

This application covers rehabilitation of an existing historic outbuilding (originally a small barn for a carriage and horse). The intended measures are: rehab the existing siding, like and same, repair eaves, like and same, replace existing roof with new asphalt shingle roof (if the applicant chooses to upgrade the roof material he will come back to the Commission), rehab the door(s), install “barn sash” type windows in the existing window openings, rehab the cupola, and other repairs as needed.

At the meeting the following clarifications were made:

- The “barn sash” type windows are defined as: wood, fixed single sash windows with true divided lights. They will be placed in existing openings, one on the east façade and three on the west façade.
- The door on the west façade will be restored.
- On the north façade, the carriage door and the second floor hay door will be retained as non-working doors; the small man-door on this façade will be removed.
- The cupola will be restored (in wood), like and same.

This application complies with the Guidelines pg 34 R1.

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

**Other Business**

- none

Roger Bollman, Chairman

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cc: Zach Smith