

Easton Historic District Commission
Easton, Maryland
July 25, 2011

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

Absent: Lena Gill

Mr. Bollman called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.
The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

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.

I will now entertain a motion to accept the agenda for this evening.

The agenda for the evening was accepted 5-0.

Consent Docket Approvals

- None

Staff Approvals

- None

Business:

48-2011 13 Aurora St. Glenn Albrecht, Contractor.

This application covers repairs/renovations to an auxiliary building (a shed) at this property. The main building on the property was built in 1890 and is significant. While the date of the shed in question is not known, it is quite old and significant.

A Town maintenance citation prompted this application. It consists of 5 items, which are:

1. Repair damaged structural members.
2. Install new support piers – It was explained to the Commission that the overall building height would be essentially the same as existing.
3. Repair damaged siding – This distinctive historic siding will be repaired and any new siding required will be like & same.
4. New roof – It was agreed that the new roof will be cedar shingle, not metal or asphalt.
5. Move shed 10' west – It was agreed that the building (shed) could be moved up to 10' west (same distance from the south property line).

This application now complies with the Guidelines on pg 34 R1 and 55 R2.

Approved as noted above – Motion by Beck, passed 4-2, Sener and Theeke dissenting.

Items from the Commission

- The Maryland Historic Trust grant request (\$38,000) to re-survey the historic district has been approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger A. Bollman, Chairman
Historic District Commission

cc: Zach Smith