

MINUTES

Easton Historic District Commission Easton, Maryland

May 27, 2014

Members Present: Kurt Herrmann, Chairman, Adam Theeke, Robert Arnouts, Kevin Gibson, George Koste and Mark Beck.

Members Absent:

Mr. Herrmann 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.

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

The agenda for the May 27, 2014 meeting was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

88-2013 112 Locust Lane Kirk Bowser, Applicant.

Mr. Bowser is before the Commission with a request to demolish the existing house at 112 Locust Lane. Mr. Bowser has been before the Commission numerous times and the Commission has visited the site. Mr. Bowser explained that the house is dilapidated and needs to be demolished. The Commission asked Mr. Bowser to provide them with a detailed site plan and a replacement plan/drawing. Upon motion of Mr. Theeke, seconded by Mr. Beck the Commission voted 6-0 to table the application as more information is needed.

NEW BUSINESS:

24-2014 210 S. Hanson Street Randy Staats.

Mr. Staats is before the Commission on behalf of the owner (Patrick Boyd). He explained that the owner would like to install a wooden fence along the front, rear and left side of the house. The Commission agreed that the fence to the left of the front door will be 6 feet. Proposed fence in front to the right will be 48”.

Mr. Staats explained that the owner would also like to re side the existing house with hardi-plank shingles. After discussion the Commission and applicant agreed that all siding on “old” structure to be repaired/replaced with like and same cedar shingles. The new “sunroom” siding may be hardie or shingle.

Upon motion of Mr. Theeke, seconded by Mr. Arnouts the Commission voted 6-0 to approve the fence and siding as amended and stated above.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m. by motion of Mr. Herrmann and seconded by Mr. Theeke.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacie S. Rice
Planning Secretary