

**Board of Zoning Appeals
Town of Easton
Wednesday, December 7, 2011**

The Board of Zoning Appeals met in open session at 9:00 a.m. in the Town Council Chamber in the Town Office Building. In attendance were Board Members Richard Tettelbaum, Chairman, Debbie Renshaw and Doris Mason, Alternate.

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Chairman, Richard Tettelbaum called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday December 7, 2011.

In attendance were:

Board of Zoning Appeals Members: Richard Tettelbaum, Debbie Renshaw and
Doris Mason.

Staff: Lynn Thomas, Town Planner, Zach Smith, Current
Planner and Stacie Rice, Planning Secretary.

NEW BUSINESS:

BOZA Case No. A-66 – 210 S. Harrison Street

Mr. Bruce Armistead of Armistead, Griswold Lee & Rust, P.A. on behalf of William Davenport, Applicant have filed an Appeal for property identified as 210 S. Harrison Street Easton, MD. The property is located in the R-7A Zoning District.

Historic District Commission members Kurt Herrmann, Vice Chairman and Adam Theeke were present at the appeal hearing.

Mr. Armistead stated they are appealing decision 58-2011 made by the Easton Historic District Commission. The appeal involves the grant of approval to remove 4 trees from property located at 210 S. Harrison Street. Mr. Armistead feels as though there was an error in process as there was inadequate "Notice" of the application.

The following neighbors commented on the hearing.

Dr. Ferrier – 211 S. Harrison Street – Dr. Ferrier was unaware that an application had been submitted before the Historic District Commission and feels as though more notice should be given for pending applications.

Rhonda Thompson – Ms. Thompson was concerned that the Historic District Commission was not given enough information on the geo-thermal unit and more consideration should have been given before allowing the trees to be removed.

Louisa Parkerson – Ms. Parkerson feels as though a precedent has been set that anyone can remove trees should they want to. She felt as though more notice needs to be given.

Mrs. Renshaw made a motion to remand the application back to the Historic District Commission for further testimony as the affected parties were not given proper notice of the original application. The motion carried on a 3-0 vote.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Submitted by

Date