

Minutes
Special Called Meeting of the
Aberdeen Historic Preservation Commission

June 27, 2016
Monday, 5:00 p.m.

Robert N. Page Municipal Building
Aberdeen, North Carolina

The Aberdeen Historic Preservation Commission met on Monday, June 27, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. for a Special Called Meeting. Members present were Mollie Wilson, Ernestine Chapman, Jon Ring, Mike Ratkowski, and Dell Crumpton. Others in attendance were Planning Director Pam Graham, Planner Kathy Blake, Permit Technician Amy Fulp, Community and Downtown Development Planner Daniel Martin.

1. Chairperson Wilson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2. Old Business

All parties who would like to give evidence or testimony were sworn in before doing so.

- a. Review of the remainder of Certificate of Appropriateness COA #16-17 to install exterior staircase to 2nd floor and replacement of existing window with new door.

Planner Kathy Blake and Planning Director Graham gave a presentation on COA #16-17 to install exterior staircase to 2nd floor and replacement of existing window with new door.

Chairperson Wilson stated she has concerns about approving this and 10 other people coming forth and wanting a staircase on their house.

Jon Ring stated the applicant is limited on his options. He asked what if he enclosed the staircase but other members thought that might look cumbersome.

Chairperson Wilson asked about using landscaping to make it more subtle, but she still had concerns about others asking for a staircase.

Jon Ring asked could he match the posts and the type spindles with the railing from the front of the house; he thought that would match pretty well. Chairperson Wilson asked could he have the same design for the spindles for the 2nd floor as those for the steps.

Dell Crumpton had issues with the only need she heard for the staircase is they couldn't get furniture to the upstairs.

Motion made by Jon Ring, seconded by Mike Ratkowski, that they approve his application with respect to the following criteria:

- Height
- Materials to be used. That they match the same spindles and capitals of design from the front porch (for the spindles and support system). And the door be constructed of wood to match the same historic detailing of the building to the upstairs entrance now.
- Architectural detailing
- Structural condition and soundness
- With specific conditions that the staircase will be screened with plantings that will be a minimum of 4 foot tall at time of planting and to reach a mature size of no less than 12 feet (front and side view).

Motion carried with a vote of 3 to 2. Dell Crumpton and Chairperson Wilson opposed. Dell Crumpton felt like the historic integrity is being compromised and visually it will overpower the street view.

3. New Business

- a. Review of Certificate of Appropriateness COA #16-16 for signage for a restaurant and bar at 111 N. Sycamore Street.

Planner Kathy Blake gave a presentation on COA #16-16 for signage for a restaurant and bar at 111 N. Sycamore Street.

Jon Ring asked will the same anchors be used and is there no damage to the building right now that needs to be repaired and Daniel Martin said yes.

Mollie Wilson had concerns about the size of the sign but it should be okay because it is going up over an existing sign; they are wrapping the existing sign.

Motion made by Dell Crumpton, seconded by Jon Ring, that the applicant's proposal is compatible with the historic aspects of the Aberdeen Historic District with respect to the following criteria:

- Height and Size
- Materials submitted
- With specific conditions as follows:
 - o Sign on façade be put back as it was removed (same hardware)
 - o Using the existing anchor system

Motion unanimously carried.

- b. Scope of Work Matrix – staff recommendation for clarification of maintenance and work items.

Planning Director Graham gave a presentation of the Scope of Work Matrix.

Chairperson Wilson asked could they take until August to look over the proposal.

4. Project Updates

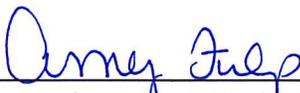
There were no project updates at this meeting.

5. Other Business

There was no other business at this meeting.

6. Adjourn

A motion was made by Jon Ring, seconded by Mike Ratkowski, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried.



Amy Fulp, Permit Technician
Minutes were completed in
Draft form on July 7, 2016



Mollie Wilson, Chairperson
Minutes were approved
on August 15, 2016

