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AGENDA

Meeting

Tuesday, August 30, 2011

2nd Floor Meeting Room, Town Hall 7:30 PM

Identify members present. Dan Barton, Richard Chilcoat, Pat Hardy, Sanford Johnson, Laura Moore (at 7:35P), Gina Perini

7:30 P Open meeting

Members were emailed minutes, please review for next meeting. DB & RC did an LA site visit for the 'column' work done by Al Friedrich, looks great, Certificate details satisfied. Thank you to PH & GP for attending the 8/29/11 Selectmen's meeting.

HDC would like to meet with Bldg, Insp., HC & TM before the expiration of the 14 day the demo order; SJ motion for DB to arrange this meeting, GP 2nd, vote-unanimous.

George Pergantis & Gloria Lammi attended meeting (7:37 P). Commission extended its sympathy, acknowledged that the Inn is a valued Groton landmark & expressed the desire to support & work with Mr. Pergantis in a positive manner; offering assistance such as with written communications and researching options to save remaining building portions and/or historic material.

DB, SJ & GP recused

7:40 P: 134 Main Street: PUBLIC HEARING-Boynton Meadows, application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for a multi-use development. *Opened public hearing (late) at 8:07P, DB, SJ & GP recused leaving members RC, PH & LM (quorum).* Steve Wychorski, Mangel Architects presenting; front building (#134) will be renovated for retail space on the 1st floor (3 units) & residential space (3 apts) above plus an addition to the rear of the building. Driveway would be switched to the opposite side of the building, any existing brick on the building would be returned to the original color & new windows along the new driveway side of the building. RC comments that care should be taken so that the massing of the addition does not overwhelm the original historic building, also, a paint study may have been done by a previous owner. Applicants offer that the intent is to keep the current 'blue' color. Townhouses to the rear will consist of: SF, 2F & 3F dwellings providing a 'village' effect, 4 colors have been chosen for the exteriors. The Commission asks for clarification on the public vs private access. The Design Review Committee consists of Halsey Platt, Fay Raynor & Tim Hess. PH expresses interest in seeing some design variation / individual character. The Commission inquires about the stonewall re-construction plan & mentions additional items for the next meeting: dimensioned site plan (requested for prior to the anticipated site walk), a site walk (some footprint corners are already staked), preservation program specifics for

#134 & concerns expressed over possible additional demo (a demo certificate has already been issued for the 3 out buildings), site lighting & signage specifics, and garage details. RC will do a recap email & PM will distribute it; a time for a site walk will be set, Design Review meets next on 8/31/11 at 7:30P. **Public hearing continued to 9/20/11 at 8:30P.**

DB, SJ & GP return to table

RC notes that he & his colleagues would need a full day for any historical investigation work at the Groton Inn –; DB would like to speak with the Bldg Insptr & TM in addition to a possible meeting with George Pergantis, GP & Jane Bouvier.

8:30P: 14 Old Ayer Road: **PUBLIC HEARING continued**-Lawrence Academy, application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for two single story, Cape style, faculty residences of 1,444 sf., each residence including two parking spaces. **CONTINUED AT THE REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT TO 9/20/11; at 8P**

8:30 P: Lawrence Academy-Academy Drive: **PUBLIC HEARING continued**-Lawrence Academy, application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for two townhouse style residences of 1,376 sf., each residence including two parking spaces. **CONTINUED AT THE REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT TO 9/20/11; at 8P.**

Other Business: Accept new applications
 Minutes

Adjourned: 10:10P