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DRAFT MINUTES

November 6, 2014

Flynn Building, Silva Conference Room

Present: Frederick E. Taylor, Chair; Linda Hawes; Bill Andreas; Lee Swanson; and Frank Riepe.

HDC Chair Fred Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Case Number #14-22, Applicant Jim Rossini, Bruin Corporation, 48 Carriage Way (Assessor's Map K04-0510):

Mr. Rossini was present to request a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of fifty (50) windows as proposed in an application submitted October 15, 2014. Windows products will be Harvey Tribute simulated divided lites, six over nine pane, with 5/8" muntins with spacer bars, material will be vinyl, and the window color will be white.

The Board discussed the fact that the house was set quite far back from the street. Mr. Swanson pointed out that the house was newer and so the Board agreed to make an exception for the vinyl windows given the age or the property.

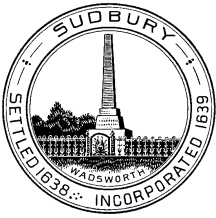
A vote was taken and unanimously approved to issue a Certificate of Appropriateness with the condition that the landscaping and in particular the tree line obstructing the view of the house from the street not be changed without prior approval from the Commission.

Continuation of Case number #14-21, Applicant Michael Carney, 197 and 197 Lot B Old Sudbury Road (Assessor's Map H10, Parcel 0006):

Applicant Michael Carney, along with Jeff Walker, were present to discuss plans to demolish the existing residence at 197 Old Sudbury Road. Mr. Riepe noted that he had visited the site and concurred that that the property did not have significant historic value. After some discussion the Board approved the demolition of the structure at 197 Old Sudbury Road and a Permit for Demolition would be issued.

The Board was in receipt of a sketch showing the location of the two new proposed residences. The Board discussed the site and its grade and terrain and cautioned that placement would take much thought. There was a discussion about the location of the front entrance. Mr. Riepe sketched out some suggestions.

The Board also did not feel comfortable rendering any decision on the certificate of appropriateness until they had some designs to review. Mr. Andreas suggested that Federal elements may work well and referenced some examples that were recently featured in the Boston Globe. It was also suggested that a double gable house might be more appropriate.



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To allow more time for the applicants to prepare and present architectural plans the hearing was continued until Thursday, December 4, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. at the Flynn Building, Silva Conference Room.

Other Business:

The minutes from the October 9, 2014 HDC meeting were approved with some minor changes as proposed by Fred Taylor. Specifically, Mr. Taylor wanted to clarify that, "it was said that the house at 197 Old Sudbury Road was built in the 1950s."

Next on the agenda was a discussion and election of a Vice Chair for the HDC. Mr. Taylor nominated Linda Hawes. Ms. Hawes was happy to serve in that role. The vote was unanimously approved.

The Board discussed whether it should consider creating a position for an alternate member. Given that allowance for an alternate member was not part of the existing legislation for the Sudbury Historic District Commission it would take an act of Town Meeting to establish this. The Board felt that at this time this effort was unnecessary and all agreed not to proceed.

Asked by Mr. Taylor, Mr. Riepe provided a general overview and update on the Town Center project. Discussion about the project included some of the decisions yet to be made and the Commission's role in these. Communication amongst the different individuals and committees involved with the project was also discussed.

Mr. Swanson indicated that he did not have much to report on the Historical Society's Loring Parsonage plans. Mr. Andreas said--and it was generally agreed--that it would be some time before changes to the Parsonage would be brought before the Commission and that the matter had no great urgency.

Mr. Taylor postponed discussion of the HDC Specific Guidelines until November 20th.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting and the vote was unanimous.