

The Smithfield Board of Historic and Architectural Review held its regular meeting on October 21st, 2014. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Members present were Mr. Roger Ealy, Chairman; Mr. Trey Gwaltney, Vice Chairman; Ms. Julia Hillegass, and Mr. Jeff Yeaw. Mr. Russell Parrish, Mr. Ronny Prevatte, and Mr. Gary Hess were absent. Staff members present were Mr. William G. Saunders IV, Planner/GIS Coordinator and Mr. William H. Riddick III, Town Attorney. There were seven (7) citizens present.

Chairman Ealy – I would like to call the October 21st, 2014 Board of Historic and Architectural Review meeting to order. The first item on the agenda is the Town Planner's Report.

Planner/GIS Coordinator – Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I would like to report two administrative approvals. The first is at 336 Main Street to replace three tab shingles with architectural shingles of the same or similar color. The second is at 329 Grace Street to replace damaged front porch structure with the same or similar colors and materials. They will also put on architectural shingles of the same or similar color as those that are on the main roof of the home. I would also like to mention one change to one of your agenda items. It came in after the packets went out. For the proposed shed at 221 Cary Street, the applicant has decided to change that shed from an 8' x 10' to a 10' x 12'. Everything else in the packet should be the same.

Chairman Ealy – Next we have a listing of Upcoming Meetings and Activities. We do not have anyone signed up for Public Comments. Are there any Board Member Comments? Next is a Proposed Detached Sign – 223 Washington Street – Non-contributing-Charlie White, VFW, applicants. Does anyone have any questions on this sign? I am advised that it is going to be placed five foot closer to the street than the ordinance calls for. Wherever the location is I do not have an objection to it.

Vice Chairman Gwaltney – Is it one sided or two sided sign?

Mr. White – My name is Charlie White. It is a two sided sign. It has been there before but we moved it to a different location so you can see it better. The shrubbery was hiding it.

Mr. Yeaw – I will make a motion to approve as presented.

Vice Chairman Gwaltney – Second.

Chairman Ealy – A motion has been made and properly seconded. All those in favor signify by saying aye, opposed say nay.

On call for the vote, four members were present. Chairman Ealy voted aye, Vice Chairman Gwaltney voted aye, Ms. Hillegass voted aye, and Mr. Yeaw voted aye. There were no votes against the motion. The motion passed.

Chairman Ealy – The next item is a Proposed Garden Shed – 221 Cary Street – Contributing – Linda S. Spady, applicant.

Ms. Spady – My name is Linda Spady. I found one that was more economical and higher quality. After I submitted the original picture of the shed I realized that the original one did not have architectural shingles offered. I was trying to match my current shed to my house. This shed is 10' x 12' which is a little bit bigger. It matches the one that I already have exactly. It has the architectural shingles versus the three tab shingles.

Chairman Ealy – Are there any comments or questions?

Ms. Spady – I moved from a house that had a double garage and two attics. My new house in town has no garage and no attics. I am paying a monthly fee to have some of my stuff in a storage area. I am trying to get it out of there and onto my property.

Chairman Ealy – Where the shed will be it will be invisible from the road.

Mr. Yeaw – It matches the shed that you already have.

Ms. Spady – Yes. I tried to print a picture of my current shed. I think you have it in your packet. The new one will go right beside it. It has the same doors and wood. It will be painted white and have black architectural shingles.

Vice Chairman Gwaltney – There is a variety of odd buildings behind most of the houses on that street. I cannot see that this would be any problem.

Ms. Spady – It matches perfectly to the one that I have.

Vice Chairman Gwaltney – I will make a motion to approve it as presented.

Ms. Hillegass – Second.

Chairman Ealy – A motion has been made and properly seconded. All those in favor signify by saying aye, opposed say nay.

On call for the vote, four members were present. Chairman Ealy voted aye, Vice Chairman Gwaltney voted aye, Ms. Hillegass voted aye, and Mr. Yeaw voted aye. There were no votes against the motion. The motion passed.

Ms. Spady – Thank you. Is a zoning permit all I need for a shed that is on skids?

Planner/GIS Coordinator – Yes ma'am.

Chairman Ealy – Next we have a Proposed Wall Sign – 25 Main Street – Contributing – Lee Duncan, applicant. The sign exceeds the maximum square feet.

Planner/GIS Coordinator – It exceeds by approximately eight square feet.

Vice Chairman Gwaltney – It is approximately ten percent of the sign.

Chairman Ealy – If you use the ten percent figure and average out the whole side of that building then it is much less. Personally, I think it looks good.

Vice Chairman Gwaltney – Is the frame and the lettering painted onto the brick?

Mr. Duncan – My name is Lee Duncan. Yes.

Vice Chairman Gwaltney – So it is not a separate structure applied to the building it is just painted on.

Mr. Duncan – Correct.

Chairman Ealy – Are there any other questions or comments?

Vice Chairman Gwaltney – I will make a motion to approve the sign as presented.

Ms. Hillegass – Second.

Chairman Ealy – A motion has been made and properly seconded. All those in favor signify by saying aye, opposed say nay.

On call for the vote, four members were present. Chairman Ealy voted aye, Vice Chairman Gwaltney voted aye, Ms. Hillegass voted aye, and Mr. Yeaw voted aye. There were no votes against the motion. The motion passed.

Chairman Ealy – The next item is a Proposed Wall Sign – 215 Main Street – Non-Contributing – Jessica Casper, applicant. I think this sign is within the ordinance requirements.

Ms. Casper – My name is Jessica Casper. I am the owner of Vintage Potential. We are moving into 215 Main Street. I hope to see you all at our ribbon cutting this Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

Chairman Ealy – Are there any comments or questions?

Vice Chairman Gwaltney – Is this sign the logo that you will using throughout the business.

Ms. Casper – Yes sir.

Ms. Hillegass – I will make a motion to approve as presented.

Vice Chairman Gwaltney – Second.

Chairman Ealy – A motion has been made and properly seconded. All those in favor signify by saying aye, opposed say nay.

On call for the vote, four members were present. Chairman Ealy voted aye, Vice Chairman Gwaltney voted aye, Ms. Hillegass voted aye, and Mr. Yeaw voted aye. There were no votes against the motion. The motion passed.

Chairman Ealy – Next we have a Proposed Roof Change – 223 Cedar Street – Contributing – Stuart & Bonnie Resor, applicants.

Mr. Resor – Good evening. My name is Stuart Resor. We are in the process of remodeling and repairing the house. We have had very few surprises. Our very first contract for this house was on the roofing. We were going to replace the roof with a beautiful standing seam metal roof similar to what is on the roof now. The contract has been unable to be acted on. We are going to try to get the roof on. We have practically finished everything else inside. The roofer tells us that the old tin roof has probably been on there since 1890 when the house was built. It is possible that the original bidder was too low. We have been taking other bids. We need to switch to architectural shingles if at all possible. The color will remain the same. Several buildings around us have the same roof. We think it is going to look great. It is going to be close to what our original budget was for the roofing. Time is of the essence. We appreciate you letting us come in tonight at the last minute to try to resolve this. Your packet should contain a picture of the Certainteed double thick architectural shingle. It is a Class A fireproof shingle. It will have a twenty or thirty year warranty. It should look good for a long time and not require much maintenance. We are going to do a shed too.

Chairman Ealy – Are there any comments?

Vice Chairman Gwaltney – I will make a motion that we approve as presented.

Mr. Yeaw – Second.

Chairman Ealy – A motion has been made and properly seconded. All those in favor signify by saying aye, opposed say nay.

On call for the vote, four members were present. Chairman Ealy voted aye, Vice Chairman Gwaltney voted aye, Ms. Hillegass voted aye, and Mr. Yeaw voted aye. There were no votes against the motion. The motion passed.

Mr. Resor – Thank you. We are going to have a buyer shortly. We want to tell them that they can do the porches that were approved here. Do they have to come and file a new application in their name or can they inherit those prior approvals?

Planner/GIS Coordinator – I do not see any reason why it could not run with the land with the regular one year to start and two years to finish.

Mr. Resor – Thank you.

Chairman Ealy – The next item is Approval of the September 16th, 2014 Meeting

Minutes.

Town Attorney – Mr. Chairman, I would recommend that the minutes be approved as presented.

Ms. Hillegass – So moved.

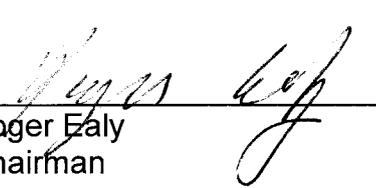
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Chairman Ealy – Is there any other business? Hearing none, this meeting is adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.



Roger Ealy
Chairman



William G. Saunders, IV
Planner/GIS Coordinator