

Historic District Review Board
Regular Meeting
March 20, 2012
4:30 p.m.

At approximately 4:37 p.m. in the Town Council Chamber, Chairman Russ Dunton, having established a quorum, called to order the Historic District Review Board (HDRB) Meeting. In attendance were board members Jan Neville, Bob Sellers and Dianne Davis. Chairman Dunton stated there was still one vacancy on the board. Also present were Town Planner Tom Bonadeo and Asst. Town Clerk Linda Carola. There were no members of the public in attendance.

Dianne Davis led the Invocation and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made by Dianne Davis, seconded by Bob Sellers, and unanimously approved to accept the agenda as presented.

Motion made by Bob Sellers, seconded by Jan Neville, and unanimously approved to accept the minutes for the February 21, 2012 Regular Meeting as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

548 Madison Avenue-Rear Screen Porch Addition

Tom Bonadeo Town Planner commented subject property met criteria and distributed a photo of a remodeled home located at 548 Madison Avenue for the board members to review. Tom Bonadeo pointed out the following: i) the screen porch would be enclosing an existing deck on the rear of the house; ii) existing foot print would be used; iii) roof line would be the same as the existing roof which would be a standing seam metal roof and met the guidelines. The Board Members continued to review the photo and discussion continued regarding: i) location of heat pumps; ii) treated deck; iii) screen porch would only be seen from the alley. Chairman Dunton asked the board members if they had any questions or concerns.

Motion made by Dianne Davis to accept the application as proposed, seconded by Bob Sellers and unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tom Bonadeo gave a brief explanation of the past history of the school and the recent proposal received from Echelon Resources Inc. for the Historic Restoration of the Cape Charles School commenting: i) the Historical Restoration must be approved by the Virginia Department of Historic Resource to receive state and federal tax credits ii) a Conditional Use Permit would be required; iii) the restoration would be a tax benefit to the town. Tom Bonadeo also informed the board members of several studies which were done in the past regarding the school and how to preserve. Discussion continued regarding the school, tennis court and the basketball court. Chairman Dunton commented he would prefer the school be demolished rather than apartments

because of people moving to the area which would possibly create safety concerns. Chairman Dunton specifically asked who would own and manage the property and Tom Bonadeo stated Echelon Resources Inc. Further discussion continued among the board members regarding the sale of the Cape Charles School.

Motion made by Dianne Davis seconded by Jan Neville and unanimously approved to adjourn the Historic District Review Board Meeting.

Russ Dunton, Chairman

Linda Carola, Asst. Town Clerk