

Anchorage Historic Preservation Commission
Minutes from Regular Meeting
January 19, 2010

Chairman Bill Wetherton called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Commission members in attendance were Becky Miller, BJ Elliott, Clyde Ensor, Bill Wilkinson, Tony Bayus, and Cindy Parrish, real estate advisor and Peg Revell, historic advisor. Visitors included Sheldon Staats, Heath O'Leary, Sonnie and JD Moore, and Gail and Greg Albright.

The minutes were read and approved. The agenda was read.

Old Business:

Becky Miller requested that the committee to review the Guidelines meet at 5:00 prior to next month's meeting.

Mr. Gambill, 903 Bellewood Rd., was asked at last month's meeting to revise plans for the street-facing planter in front of the stairs and present at the January meeting.

Contractor Cadden later advised the commission that the planter has been removed from the current plans entirely.

Wetherton announced that a new receptionist has been hired at City Hall, Sandy Kunzler. The Civic Club will sponsor a Chili Cook-off at this year's Town Meeting. HPC and City Council will team with Evergreen Real Estate with Bill Wetherton as lead chef. Susan Mitchell, Bill Wilkinson and Jay Foley will assist.

Creel Lodge will now become part of the historic district, due to the death this month of Mr. Barr Schuller, who developed the property.

Becky Miller will work with Susan Tolliver and Robin Edwardsen in effort to obtain placement on the National Register of Historic Places. Peg Revell will work with Church of the Epiphany for the Mother House.

New Business:

Sheldon Staats, 11501 Valley View Rd., returned to request approval for windows. The sample window that he brought will be provided by the company from which he bought the current windows for which he did not seek HPC approval. The grids are between the glass and do not meet HPC guidelines. The home's original windows were replaced by windows without grids thirty months ago and neighbors recently brought the change to the Commission's attention. Mr. Staats plans to replace the windows on the second floor and the small windows on the front and side of first floor. He prefers to leave the Picture windows alone. After lengthy discussion a motion was made by Bayus that due to mitigating circumstances the current windows be accepted, although they are deficient to standards of HPC, and that future renovation will require compliance. Elliott seconded and the motion carried with four yes votes and one no vote.

Contractor Heath O'Leary, on behalf of property owners Tara and Stewart Mouser, 12207 Old Lucas Lane, presented plans for new construction. The two-story home will have 3,621 sq. ft. finished space with additional footage over the garage. Materials will be applied stone veneer, Hardy Plank shake siding, asphalt shingles, exterior trim of painted wood or AZEK. SDL aluminum clad windows will have working shutters. Bayus said that the arrangement of the dormers is lonely for the size and scale of the

house and suggested a second dormer on the left side. He also pointed out that the left side of the house façade will be predominately stone while the right side is predominately shake siding, making the left side seem heavier. He suggested using shake on the garage section or putting more stone on the shake side. Miller suggested that the middle have shake and the two sides have stone. Mr. O'Leary must bring a sample of the stone veneer. Elliott asked if the set-back is equal to the neighbor's home to the right. Mr. O'Leary said that it is ten feet closer to the road, but that it is equal to the closest house on the street. The owner plans a circular drive and wants to keep white pine trees that Dr. Albright said have been damaged in the storm. The house will sit 17 ft from the right property line and 33 ft from the left, due to the driveway. The elevation is 30 ft to the ridge. A motion from Miller and second from Elliott was made to form a committee of three Commission members to meet during the next month when O'Leary is ready with his plans. Ensor, Bayus and Wilkinson will meet with him when he has addressed the set back, the dormers, the stone vs. shingle exterior, and the stone sample.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Mitchell, secretary