

Minutes of the Continuation of the Public Hearing of the Historic District Commission and the Historical Commission

Date: August 13, 2014

Commission Members Present: Bob Clark, Chris Mandel, Nancy Allen, Lynn Shaw

Commission Members Absent: None

Others present: Emily Arnold, Charles Crowley, Jeremy Gabrenas, Henry Woolsey

Attachments: Agenda; Notice

Public Hearing continuation

The continuation of the public hearing of August 7th for the application for an addition at 11 Common St. began at 7 pm in the Petersham Memorial Library.

Nancy Allen recused herself from the discussion.

After viewing as many historic photos that could be found, the Commission determined that the west end of the structure was likely original to the house, and that the house has mostly remained unchanged over time. After establishing these facts, the Commission agreed that the scale and design of the proposed addition was appropriate for the existing structure.

The applicant, Emily Arnold, was asked to consider accepting a different design of the breezeway door, from a 'half-round' head to a rectangular head, and she readily agreed to the change. The design of the garage doors was also questioned and it was explained by both the architect, Charles Crowley, and Jeremy Gabrenas, the contractor, that the hope to find doors with a simple, clean design, but that due to a concern about the weight of wooden doors, they are requesting permission to use vinyl doors, if necessary. The Commission agreed to this request.

A motion was made and seconded to approve this application with the conditions that there be a rectangular head to the breezeway door and to allow vinyl garage doors, if necessary. The motion was approved unanimously. The HDC will issue a Certificate of Appropriateness to the applicant and for the Building Inspector.

The hearing closed at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Mandel, Clerk

Minutes approved at October 2014 HDC Meeting.



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HDC PUBLIC HEARING

Coninuation: Wednesday, August 13

7 PM

At Petersham Memorial Library

AGENDA:

Continuation of the Public Hearing of August 7 to this date of August 13:

To review an Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for modifications requested by the property owner to exterior architectural features at 11 Common Street involving:

An addition to the existing main house on the south side,
a connecting ell to the existing garage,
and re-orientation of the garage front



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CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

Dated: August 15, 2014

Owner: **Emily Arnold**

Address: **11 Common Street, Petersham, MA 01366**

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Telephone **978-724-3249**

For property located at: **11 Common Street, Petersham, Massachusetts**

Petersham parcel number: **Parcel 54**

☒ **Building or Structure**

Sign or Billboard

Other: _____

As described in the Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness dated: **August 7, 2014**

Having considered your Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness the Petersham Historic District Commission held a public hearing on August 7, 2014 with a second session continued to August 13, 2014 and, after careful consideration of all submitted information and plans and the impact on the historic value and significance of the site, building, or structure, and the general design, arrangement, texture, material, and color of the features involved and the relation of such factors to similar factors in the immediate surroundings, the Commission, Pursuant to Chapter 211 of the Acts of 1966, Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40C, and Article XII of the By-laws of the Town of Petersham, the Petersham Historic Commission hereby:

Issues this Certificate of Non-Applicability (no external architectural features subject to approval).

☒ **Issues this Certificate of Appropriateness subject to the conditions below.**

The Commission requires the following conditions:

1. The work shall conform to the plans and conditions referenced in this Certificate and per the approved Application
2. Any change to the proposed work shall require the applicant to inquire of the Petersham Historic District Commission in writing whether the change is significant enough to require the filing of a new Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness.

Denies a Certificate of Appropriateness for the following reasons

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COMMENTS:

The Commission approved the project application after review and discussion during a posted Public Hearing for an addition with connector to garage and reorientation of garage entrance as presented.

- The HDC and applicant agreed that the Opening for the breezeway doorway will be a flat header rather than an arch.
- The HDC noted that vinyl or other similar material is acceptable for use for the garage doors if desired by the applicant.

Any changes to or deviation from the specifications as presented and discussed shall be brought back before the Commission.

Robert Clark

Vice Chair, Historic District Commission

August 15, 2014

Date