

21 January 2009

Present: C. Haver, J. Huber, G. Miller, L. Turner, W. Walker; A. Mirochine, R. Berman

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

The minutes of the 17 December meeting were accepted with the following corrections: The HDC suggested that the shed in the rear be attached with a shed roof not a separate gable projection.

Public hearing: A. Mirochine presented the two applications. The first was for a ground level patio 20x 18 of blue stone pavers and a arbor arch 7' tall at the steps of the existing patio. The second was for a barn garage 20 x 18 x 19 high with a leanto in the rear 8 x 12 high. The garage doors will look like sliding barn wood doors but will be overhead. The structure will be weathered vertical barn board, a gooseneck fixture will be at the west side entry door and over the garage doors, roof will be either wood or asphalt to match the house, the garage doors will have transoms. The location of the garage may be a foot to the west of the proposed location if an accommodation with the abutting neighbor cannot be reached. I

W. Walker asked if any questions or comments. As there were none, the public hearing was closed.

The HDC reviewed the applications. Both were as presented and discussed in the pre-hearing in December. C. Haver made a motion to accept the first application as presented; L. Turner seconded. W. Walker called for a vote: Aye – Haver, Huber, Miller, Turner, Walker; Nay – none. The motion was passed unanimously.

The second application was discussed. All the HDC pre-hearing recommendations were incorporated. G. Miller made a motion to accept the application as presented; L. Turner seconded. W. Walker called for a vote: Aye – Haver, Huber, Miller, Turner, Walker; Nay – none. The motion was passed unanimously. Before A. Mirochine left the HDC noted that the location of the garage one foot in either direction is of no matter but if there is a greater change, a new application is required.

Pre-hearing: R. Berman presented a proposal for the Roxbury Market. The exhaust system must be upgraded to code. The location of the exhaust vents will be on the north side of the building on the ell where the "patio" is located. R. Berman proposes to erect a fence 6' from the building to hide the fans etc. The fence would be built on the patio and would be of the same type as that at the Town Hall used to hide the generator. R. Berman suggested a 7' fence but Zoning may allow only 6'. The HDC surmised that from any viewing angle, 6' of fence would be sufficient to hide the machinery. Also, the HDC recommended that the west end of the fence be enclosed to provide better

obscuring of the fans. R. Berman will contact the HDC before the February public hearing re: height of fence. It was further recommended that since the fence will be cedar, it remain unpainted to age to gray.

Barn book: The HDC has not yet heard about the grant, but a final tally of barns is needed to get bids from historians.

Smart Growth Study Group: G. Miller updated the HDC on the committee's progress.

National Register nominations: W. Walker reported that one property has been dropped from the nominations since too much of the structure has been reconstructed. W. Walker will defend the nomination of the Remember Baker house whose nomination is more supportable.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Georgette Miller
Clerk

The next meeting of the HDC is:

Wednesday 18 February 7:30 pm Roxbury Town Hall