

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: Friday, December 17, 2010, 1:30 PM

Place: Orleans Town Hall

Present:

Absent:

James Hadley, Chair
Richard Besciak
Catherine Southworth
Ann Sinclair
Bonnie Snow
Sarah Bartholomew

Dennis Dowd

David Paine
True Nichols
Charles Lamaitre
Thomas Spence

The hearing was called to order at 1:30 PM.

1. Continuation of a hearing in accordance with Chapter 106 of the Bylaws of the Town of Orleans on the demolition request for the house at 10 Nichols Road, East Orleans.

Catherine Southworth moved to reopen the public hearing on 10 Nichols Road. Bonnie Snow seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

The hearing was halted so that the Commission could find out what was prudent in regard to a signed agreement between the owner and the seller. Michael Ford, Town Counsel sent the Commission a memo which stated the Commission needed to determine whether an applicant as agent has been properly authorized by a property owner. He recommended that The Commission, in all cases where the applicant is other than the property owner, request a writing from the property owner for the file, evidencing that the applicant is authorized to act as agent for the property owner in the filing of the application and in representing the interests of the property owner at any hearing.

Richard Besciak moved and Bonnie Snow seconded a motion to request from Mr. Lamaitre an agreement authorizing him as the agent to represent the owners in the filing of the application and representing them in the hearings. MOTION PASSED

Jim Hadley was going to inform Mr. Lamaitre by mail of the decision, however Mr. Lamaitre arrived at 1:45 and was told the decision.

Mr. Lamaitre accused the Commission of using this as a way to draw out the process. Mr. Hadley firmly denied this and assured Mr. Lamaitre that this is not so.

The result is that Mr. Lamaitre will email us a signed letter from the property owners and follow it up with a hard copy.

Bonnie Snow moved and Catherine Southworth seconded a motion to continue the hearing until the Commission received an official letter with signature. MOTION PASSED

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Family members, True Nichols and David Paine, related to the original owners of the house shared early photos of the house. It is their hope that the building can be moved.

2. 196 Rock Harbor Road Thomas Spence contractor, Bob and Kay Nagel owners

Mr. Spence is building an addition to an existing historic house and will not alter the existing house. The Commission does not have to review this project.

3. New business

Sarah Bartholomew will write a letter to the planning board concerning the subdivision plan they approved drawing the lot line down the middle of an historic house.

Richard Besciak moved and Catherine Southworth seconded a motion to adjourn at 2:08 PM
MOTION PASSED.