

Anchorage Historic Preservation Commission
Minutes from Regular Meeting
April 15, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Wetherton at 6:00 p.m. Members in attendance were Dan Fultz, Tony Bayus, B.J. Elliott, Bill Wilkinson, Becky Miller, Clyde Ensor and advisors Peg Revell, Mildred Ewen and Cindy Parrish. Visitors included Heath O'Leary, Phil Fackler, Bill Hensler, Kate Hensler, Kevin Hardesty, Cary Willis, Kate Foulds and Carla Oliver.

Prior to the meeting the group met on the lawn of City Hall for the dedication of a Burr Oak tree, planted in memory of commission member, resident and friend Mac Caldwell. The minutes were read and approved; the agenda was read.

Kate and Bill Hensler of 2221 Cave Spring Place, presented new home plans for preliminary approval. The Tudor style, 1½ story home will sit on the lot at an angle similar to the Talbott and Carpenter homes on two of the opposite corners. Materials for the (approx.) 4,200 sq. ft. will be cedar siding with brick and stone accents on the front gables as well as traditional stucco. Aluminum clad windows will be used with SDL. The Henslers are waiting for a variance from BOZA in order to decrease one of the required set-backs from 90 to 75 ft. They are also acquiring twenty feet of property from the adjacent neighbor. Dan Fultz complemented the house as it appears from Lucas Lane but feels that the rear section of the house on Cave Spring is a little disjointed from the character of the rest of the house. The design fails at the turn, he said, and needs to bring some of the vocabulary such as half-timber and stucco to the garage. Tony Bayus said that the rhythm along the front and side of the house seems to get busy at the front entrance and suggested that refinement at the front gable would improve the character. No vote was taken

Kristina and Kristina McDade of 11610 Hazelwood Rd, requested approval for front entrance alterations, deck remodeling, a stone patio, landscaping and fencing. Materials include stone, stone veneer, composite decking and cedar fencing. They plan to raise the front door and steps to create a grander entrance. They will remove one of the driveway loops and add landscaping. Stone will be used on the walkways, the wrap-around porch, the patio retaining walls on the side and the steps. A one-level deck will be created using balusters, lattice, post and rails of wood. The arched transoms will be removed. Becky Miller moved for approval. B.J. Elliott second and the motion carried.

Paula Grover and Cary Willis, 11903 Spring Garden Ln., requested approval for rebuilding a roof over their family room and kitchen. Materials of cement board lap siding and shingled roof will match the existing. The room was originally a car port which was closed in and can be viewed slightly from the driveway. The raised roof will not be higher than the existing ridgeline. Tony Bayus moved for approval with a second from Bill Wilkinson. The motion carried.

Megan and Clark Pollitt, 12004 Ridge Rd., presented plans revised following last month's meeting. The Pollitts appreciated all of the Commission's comments and made all of the suggested changes except for the Gothic windows which they prefer to keep. Fultz said that they are not appropriate to the style. Bayus said that the eave line needed moving up and the center window still looked too large. TDL casement windows are planned. Tony Bayus moved for approval with the following requirements – the eave line move up about ten inches and the center window reduce in scale by using a double sash 20% larger than the side windows. Becky Miller seconded and the motion carried.

Kate and Peter Foulds, 12405 Mistletoe Rd., presented preliminary plans for front elevation changes and alterations in the rear of the home, not seen from the road. Materials will be board and batten, cultured stone, wood windows and trim. A vote could not be taken as the Foulds have not yet closed on the property. A consensus vote of approval was taken and will be confirmed on Friday afternoon.

Carla and Jerald Oliver, 1000 Glenbrook Rd., requested approval for the addition of two columns at their driveway entrance. Wetherton explained that the Commission would vote only on the materials and design and that the zoning officer must meet with them for approval of the height. The new stone columns will hold light fixtures and will be similar in style to columns of other homes on the street. Tony Bayus said the light fixtures should be fatter. Becky Miller prefers the stone match the house. She complimented the cap and stone design. Mrs. Oliver said that the stone will match a fireplace which was recently built. Because one side of the ground is lower and the flanking trees sit on opposite sides of the columns, Tony Bayus suggesting making a base and starting the stone at curb level. He made a motion for approval with the following revisions: the light fixture should be fatter and more to scale with the columns and the stone will begin at the top level of the curb with the base integral with the curb. B.J. Elliott seconded and the motion carried.

Peg Revell shared copies of a memorandum she received regarding placement of homes on the Historic Register. It is a very complicated, lengthy and expensive process. John Schnatter is trying to get the Interurban on the register. Mildred Ewen will look into the possibility of helping the Edwardson/Tollivers with their current house on Lucas and Cave Spring. The Commission will investigate whether it is now possible to include all of the homes in the town in the Historic District.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Next meeting will be May 20, 2008.