

**TOWN OF YARMOUTH  
OLD KING'S HIGHWAY HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMITTEE  
MINUTES – Monday, April 25, 2022**

The Old King's Highway Committee met in person, with Zoom option for participants. **Members Present:** Chairman (Architect/Contractor) Richard Gegenwarth, Member Paula Morrison, Member Rosemary Nicholls, Member Elizabeth Argo, and Alternate Member Cindy Ecker. **Absent:** Vice Chair Robert Wilkins and Alternate Member Jane Hildebrandt. **Staff Present:** Old King's Highway Administrator Lisa Sherman.

A quorum present, Chairman Gegenwarth opened the meeting with a brief explanation of how the meeting is run and noted the 10-day appeal period. The regular meeting convened at **7:15 P.M.**

**1. 22-A049 Jennifer Troutman Bartleman (Owner):** To paint house and trim and replace roof at **46 Summer Street**

Mr. and Mrs. Bartleman (owners) were present. The house is currently red and the owners want to paint the house grey. The door is currently red, but the owners want to paint it a different red. The trim will be white and the roof gray. There will be a white storm door on the front door.

No abutters present and no public comment.

Member Nicholls moved to approve the application as submitted.

The motion was seconded by Member Argo.

The motion was passed unanimously. 5-0-0. **APPROVED**

**2. 22-A050 Betsy Johnson (Owner):** To paint house, door, and shutters at **10 Belvedere Terrace**

Betsy Johnson (owner) was present. House has cedar shingles on the back and part of one side and those will remain. The rest of the house is clapboard, and will be painted Mount St. Anne, the shutters Templeton Gray or Knoxville Gray, and the storm door will remain white. She will decide the shutter color once she sees the house painted. Member Nicholls suggested approving both shutter colors so the homeowner can decide which color to choose once the house has been painted. The doors will be French Violet. Member Nicholls thought the door might fade; Ms. Johnson said the people at the paint store suggested semi-gloss paint for the door to alleviate fading and blistering. The garage doors will stay white.

No abutters present and no public comment.

Member Morrison moved to approve the application as submitted.

The motion was seconded by Member Argo.

The motion was passed unanimously. 5-0-0. **APPROVED**

**Tabled Items**

On 5/9/2022, on a motion by Vice Chair Wilkins, seconded by Member Argo, the committee voted 5-0-1 to approve these minutes, with Member Ecker abstaining

**1. 22-A044 Vincent and Taryn Zuccala (Owners):** To install a barn at **142 Route 6A**

Member Argo moved to untable the application, and was seconded by Member Morrison. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0-0.

Taryn and Vin Zuccala (owners) were present via Zoom. Chair Gegenwarth read two letters received from abutters in support of the new barn (Suzy and Philip White, and Karin and Mark Loewen). Member Argo likes the Chrome Green color chosen for the barn doors; Mr. Zuccala noted the green is the same color as the shutters on the house. Mr. Zuccala said he's trying to find brass antique lamps to match the picture included in the packet; Member Nicholls noted there is a place in Sandwich that makes onion lamps.

Abutters comments noted in discussion; no abutters present or public comment.

Member Morrison moved to approve the application as submitted. Member Nicholls seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously, 5-0-0. **APPROVED**

**2. 22-A045 Keith O'Brien and Kimberly Norton-O'Brien (Owners) and Richard Conway (Agent):** To paint clapboards, shingles, shutters, doors, and trim at **53 Valhalla Drive**

Member Argo moved to untable the application, and was seconded by Member Morrison. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0-0.

No one was present to represent this application. It was noted the paint colors requested are historic. Member Argo said the requested colors are an improvement over the current paint scheme. The Committee likes the proposed colors, so will vote to approve though the applicants aren't present.

No abutters present and no public comment.

Member Argo moved to approve the application as submitted. Member Morrison seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously, 5-0-0. **APPROVED**

**OKH Meeting Minutes Approval**

March 28, 2022

There was a motion made by Member Argo to approve the March 28, 2022 minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Member Nicholls. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0-0.

April 11, 2022

Member Nicholls moved to approve the April 11, 2022 minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Member Argo. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0-0.

On 5/9/2022, on a motion by Vice Chair Wilkins, seconded by Member Argo, the committee voted 5-0-1 to approve these minutes, with Member Ecker abstaining

## Other Business

Chair Gegenwarth noted that the Old King's Highway Regional Commission is scheduled to have a meeting on Tuesday, May 2 to discuss an appeal from Sandwich. Residents want to demolish a small house with a flat roof and replace it with a 3 story house across the street from the brewery in Sandwich. The original plan was denied by the Sandwich OKH Committee, and the residents submitted a revised plan for review. The Sandwich Committee voted two for and two against the new plan, which resulted in a denial. The chair of the Sandwich Committee called another meeting to vote on the proposal. At the second meeting the chair rejected the alternate member present in order to break the tie and approve the application. Another of the Committee members walked out in protest, so the meeting couldn't be held since there was no quorum. Two members of the public appealed to the Commission, saying the application was properly rejected, so the request was denied and the applicants should be required to return with a new plan.

Member Argo asked about the proposal to allow some solar applications to be handled through the Certificate of Exemption process. Chair Gegenwarth said that item has not be assigned to an agenda yet, but could possibly be discussed at the May 25 Commission meeting when an appeal of a solar decision in Brewster will be discussed. He will let Member Argo know when that item is on the agenda in case she would like to attend. Member Ecker expressed concern that if the Certificate of Exemption process is allowed for solar panels, there is no way for abutters to be notified and weigh in on the request.

## ADJOURNMENT

There was a motion made by Member Argo to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was seconded by Member Nicholls.

The motion was passed unanimously. Vote: 5-0-0. **ADJOURNED** at 8:05 PM

Richard Gegenwarth, Yarmouth OKH Historic District Committee

Posted By: Lisa Sherman, Old King's Highway Committee, Administrator