

City of Gloucester  
Historic District Commission  
Minutes, Meeting of August 28, 2012

Members Present: Paul Shea, Stephen, Miller, Stephen Goodick, R. David Porper, chair.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by the Chairman.

There was one item on the agenda: a request for Certificate of Appropriateness from Blackburn LLC for work to be done at 1 Washington St. Carlo Barbara, an owner, and Scott Bouchie, contractor, made the presentation.

Most of the work consists of ordinary maintenance viz. replacement of deteriorating shutters, and rotted, damaged or missing shingles, clapboards and trim on the non-masonry additions. All replacement materials will be the same as originals i.e. cedar clapboards and shingles, and pine/cedar trim.

Also proposed was the replacement of two rotting columns with their Ionian capitals and bases, that surround a side entrance into the parking lot on the east elevation. The replacements would be polyfiber columns, resin capitals and bases. New construction will consist of a lattice work screen to shield air conditioning equipment. Also, downspouts will be replaced with galvanized metal.

The only discussion concerned the deteriorating columns which are original to the building. Ultimately it was felt that given the location off to the side, the replacements would look about the same from the public ways as the originals.

MOTION: It was moved (P. Shea) and seconded (S. Goodick) that the Certificate of Appropriateness be granted to Blackburn LLC for the work detailed on the application viz. replace shutters, trim and siding with the same materials, the two columns with substitute material and installation of a lattice fence. Downspouts replaced as needed with galvanized metal.

Unanimously approved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

R. David Porper  
Secretary pro tem