

## WEST TISBURY HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

### MEETING MINUTES

Date of Meeting: 6/26/06

Attending: Sean Conley, Mark Mazer, Nancy Dole, Anne Fisher, Ben Moore, Marcia Cini

Absent: Lannie McDowell

Also Attending: Kate Warner, David Fitzpatrick, Patricia Kuehn

Meeting convened at 5 PM.

Garcia sign as presented was approved.

Nancy Dole will not vote on Kuehn project, wants to appear as abutter.

Letters of support for Kuehn house renovations were received from Joan Jenkinson and Linda Bassett, abutters.

Kate Warner, abutter, expressed concerns that proposal had too much Victorian detail and she was unhappy the applicant wanted to cover over the windows on the front of the house facing the road with paneling. She said that it was good to keep in mind that surrounding buildings were much simpler and open to the road.

Nancy Dole, abutter, agreed.

Suggestions for changes were made for side facing the road:

Members felt the concept of the porch was good but the gable entrance was jutting out in an awkward way, and the 10 foot porch overhang was not sheltering, it was too high, and there was not enough pitch to the roof. Anne Fisher said the porch and entry needed to work together. Therefore the members requested applicant pull the entrance back and lower the porch roof to have a soffit height of 8'6". Because there is a gable to protect the entry steps, porch gutters are not necessary. Brackets and corbels on the porch should be simple, echoing the windows and early not high Victorian should be the style, an airy as opposed to heavy ornamented feeling. The porch deck should be lowered, because 3 foot porch rail is too high. If deck were lower it would not need high rail, and would only need two risers.

The proposed chimney on the front of the house through the porch roof which would block the bay window was eliminated.

The bay windows are not to be covered over with paneling, interior shutters inside the house will keep the feeling of the house being open to the street, while providing privacy applicant desires. Double hung windows will look better than panels.

Stained colored glass in the doors, windows and anywhere else is not appropriate, and should be eliminated from plans. A sidelight for the door with sort of diamond shaped panes with wood muntins was shown to us by applicant, and is OK.

The coal shed can be moved from the back but it must be located further back from the road than the house is. The house must be closer to State Road than the shed is, and the shed must be behind the front plane of the house.

The fence is to be white picket 42" high and there will be no arbor, just a gate that matches the fence, which should be simple. Gate can have a simple curve.

On the north side facing the grange, only change to plans is pulling back the steps, 2 steps would be sufficient with lower porch.

South side, pergola will be natural or white.

For siding, either natural cedar shingles or white clapboard is acceptable..

Applicant brought in samples of trim with colors she would like to use.

Applicant will return in two weeks with revised plans showing changes as suggested for final approval, and color of trim will be reviewed at that time. Hearing was continued to July 10<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by

Nancy Dole, Secretary