

La Mott Historic District, Township of Cheltenham
Board of Historic Architectural Review
Meeting Minutes of
November 1, 2010

Issue Date: November 4, 2010

Time: 8:15 PM

Location: 8230 Old York Road, Elkins Park

Present:

Mr. Reynold Greenberg, Chairperson
Ms. Emma Trusty, Member
Mr. David Lynch, Member, Director of Engineering, Zoning and Inspections
Mr. Carmen Reitano, Assistant to the Director of Engineering, Zoning and Inspections.
Mr. Robert Cassway, BHAR Consultant

Absent:

Ms. Genevieve Christopher, Member
Ms. Patricia Gerrity, Member
Ms. Darlene Melton, Vice-Chairperson
Mr. Timothy Hinchcliff, Member
Ms. Zilan Manus-Bass, Member

Guest:

Ms. Joyce Werkman

1. Meeting Commencement

- a. The meeting was called to order at 8:15 PM by Mr. Greenberg. A quorum was not present.

2. Meeting Minutes

The meeting minutes of the 10/4/10 meeting were approved.

3. Applications

- a. Application L-879
Gun Yue Kim
More Shopping Center
7320 Old York Road
La Mott, PA

The Applicant wants to install an 8' x 20' trailer on the west side of the More Shopping Center for use by the shopping center's employees as a break room/lunch area. There will be neither water nor sanitary facilities in the trailer; power will be run to the trailer for lighting and air-conditioning. The trailer will be placed flush against the building and will not cover any parking spaces.

Mr. Lynch made a Motion to recommend to the Public Works Committee that it recommend to the Board of Commissioners that it approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for the 8' x 20' trailer per the Application as submitted; Ms. Trusty seconded the Motion; the Motion passed.

A period of discussion ensued concerning the non-BHAR aspects of this application; the following points were made:

- a. In general, placing a Break Room/Lunch Area outside the main building is a bad idea and may create an unfortunate precedent.
- b. Concern was expressed for employees having to access the Trailer during inclement weather.
- c. It is strongly recommended that the Planning Commission review the Land Development Waiver Request for the Trailer.

4. Old Business

- a. La Mott street signs- Mr. Reitano presented a sample of the double faced street signs that would designate the boundary of the LaMott Historic District. It was felt that the sign should be modified so the lettering is larger and the silhouette of the solidier be made smaller.

5. New Business

A.) Penske Truck Rental- 1627 W. Cheltenham Avenue- Status.

- 1.) Mr. Reitano stated that all the Penske signage was down.
- 2.) Mr. Lynch stated that the expansion of a non-conforming use is not a BHAR matter, but a zoning matter. The Truck Rental appeal will come before the Building and Zoning Committee this Wednesday 11/3/10.

B.) Butcher Street Water Tower

- 1.) Mr. Lynch stated that Aqua would be working on the Tower between 11/2 & 11/5, and that AT&T has received a 106 permit for their antenna at the top of the tower.
- 2.) Neighbors had reported a ticking sound coming from the Water Tower. This was due to a defective injection pump, the pump has been replaced.

6. Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Greenberg the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM.

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