

Milton Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
Milton Library
Tuesday, February 10, 2009
6:00 p.m.

1. Brenda Burns called the meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Roll call of Members:
 - Michael Ostinato
 - Jack Vessels
 - Brenda Burns
 - Sally Harkins
 - Gwen Foehner
3. Changes, additions, corrections or deletions to the Agenda
 - Jack Vessels: I make a motion to approve the Agenda.
 - Sally Harkins: second.
 - Brenda Burns: All in favor say "Aye". All opposed. Motion carried.
4. Approval of Minutes from November 18, 2008
 - Brenda Burns: Any changes, additions, corrections or deletions to the Minutes of November 18, 2008
 - Jack Vessels: I make a motion to approve the Minutes of November 18, 2008, as presented.
 - Michael Ostinato: Second.
 - Brenda Burns: All in favor say "Aye". All opposed. Motion carried.
5. Applicant Donald and Judith Fisher are requesting approval for the installation of architectural asphalt shingles and solar panels on their home located at 410 Federal Street, further identified by Sussex County Tax Map Parcel 2-35-20.07-11.00.
 - Brenda Burns: Does anyone have any questions for Ms. Judith Fisher? The shingles are already up, right?
 - Judith Fisher: They are and I would be happy to explain to you how that happened. When we started this procedure, he talked with Grant and Son in Milford and we talked in late December and Don said, we're not in a hurry because this will take some time, etc. and he said I don't really want my roof being done in the middle of the winter. Why don't you look towards the end of March or early April and Mr. Grant said fine. Don went down two weeks later, so all of this happened within the past 2 or 3 weeks; he went down to the Town Hall to request a permit to do this and they weren't there and he didn't get it immediately. I think that afternoon was the day Mr. Grant showed up with all the shingles and all the ladders and six men and I went out and Don wasn't even there; I said what are you doing here, we're expecting you in March. He said I had some time and this is the best time for us. So they started and then Robin

called two days later. They did the roof in two days. We've had a lot of roofs put on; but Grant & Son in Milford is the best company I've ever seen. They're so professional; they do it quickly; they did the one on Chestnut. Long story short, I've got the shingles and I've got the permit.

Brenda Burns: Does anyone have any questions concerning the solar panels?

Jack Vessels: They're just like the solar panels across the street.

Brenda Burns: Which side of the house are they going on? Closest to the alley or on the opposite side?

Judy Fisher: Yes, it will be on the alley. We have the perfect house for it because we have no trees; south side. This is something Don thinks would be good. I know that he's been lusting after the house across the street; the picture that I took of their shingles and it's the same company. I do want to say that if anything changes in the program that the state and federal government are offering, the tax credits; if that changes and we don't get it, there will be no solar panels on the house. We frankly couldn't afford it. That could happen. The federal government gives you something and the state government has been giving it; but given the budget crisis the State is facing; we were told by Chesapeake Solar that everything is on track. There's no reason that they're expecting a change; but we all know that could happen. If that changes, I have a new roof that I didn't need, because we had wood shingles that were about 15 years old; but we would have just kept them forever; but he had to change that to accommodate the other.

Jack Vessels: The asphalt shingles last longer anyways, so you'll be better off. I move to accept the application.

Sally Harkins: Second.

Brenda Burns: Roll call vote:

Michael Ostinato	Approve
Jack Vessels	Approve
Brenda Burns	Approve
Sally Harkins	Approve
Gwen Foehner	Approve

6. Adjournment

Brenda Burns: We only need one more motion to adjourn.

Sally Harkins: I make a motion to adjourn.

Jack Vessels: Second.

Brenda Burns: So moved. Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.