

# TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN HISTORICAL COMMISSION

## MEETING MINUTES

September 20, 2000

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**Members Present:** Roger Keene (Chairman), Austin Knight, Ardis Markarian, and Gino Verzone.

**Members Absent:** John Dowd (unexcused) and Fred Pappalardo (excused)

### Agenda:

#### Work Session:

Review applications for Public Meeting

#### Public Statements

4A Youngs Court, Michael Roderick

Add dormer

16 Standish Street, William Whitaker

Replace/renovate existing cottage

22 Mechanic Street, Tricia Farrell/Tracy Grinnell (no show, once again)

Replace 2 window sashes; replace windows.

10 Atwood Avenue, Joseph Collins/Harry Clark

Expansion of breezeway & garage; window alterations; fireplace addition

307 Bradford Street, Philip Katzen

Replacement of roof deck w/new guardrail; replace windows & doors

16 Standish Street, William Whitaker

Renovations/remodeling of main house

514 Commercial Street, Provincetown Board of Fire Engineers

Request for removal of the chimney

21 Tremont Street, Harry Brock

Replace existing brick steps & platform w/wood & shingle

48 Commercial Street, William York

New covered porch & 2<sup>nd</sup> fl deck; new covered deck at 3<sup>rd</sup> fl attic

616 Commercial Street, Jeff Mansfield

Remove & replace deck (same footprint & size)

Approval of Minutes

### Work Session:

**136 Commercial Street** – Ron Reil visited the meeting room a bit before the Commission had assembled to dispute what he's doing at that location. The plans which had been approved for Kevin Bazarian are evidently not being followed. Ron wants clarification so that he can go forth with the project. Most of his discussion took place with Gino Verzone who was the only member in the hearing room at the time.

**48 Commercial St** – A fax was received at the Town Hall at 8:05 a.m. this very morning requesting a postponement; would like to reschedule for 10/4/00 meeting.

**307 Bradford St** - General Opinion: the building was becoming a tenement!

**16 Standish St** – Discussion regarding doghouse dormers.

History of the Department of Regulatory Management: There had been a Coordinating Committee made up of the heads of different in-house departments. They would meet on an as-needed basis and discuss upcoming projects. The Board of Selectmen abolished the Coordinating Committee and approved the founding of the Department of Regulatory Management in order to make projects flow smoother. There were diverse views on its success.

### Mail Box Items:

- Provincetown Library is conducting weekly tours of their facility and the Heritage Museum. The Commission has been invited to its own private tour should they want one. September 25<sup>th</sup> was the date chosen for the tour.

- The Provincetown Post Office is presenting a Fall Arts Festival Art Show in their parking lot on Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> from 10:a to 3:p.

- The Fine Art Works Center is presenting a slide show of Provincetown's art collection in the Stanley Kunitz Common

Room on Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:p.

- A meeting on the Old Cemetery has been suddenly called for Thursday. Members were divided on the public access issue to the cemetery.

The meeting was called to order promptly at 9:30 a.m.

**4A Youngs Court – Michael Roderick** (add dormer)

It was suggested to Mr. Stefani who represented Mr. Roderick at the last meeting that the proposed dormer would be far more appropriately located on the rear of the cottage. The Commission suggested that Mr. Stefani go to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) and request the dormer. The Commission further said they'd be happy to send a letter regarding their recommendation to the ZBA. Mr. Stefani found the proposal agreeable. Mr. Roderick said that rather than going through all that he decided to poll his neighbors on the rear dormer. The first neighbor he spoke to was James Meads, the abutter nearest to the proposed dormer. Mr. Meads was not happy with the proposal since the dormer would overlook a private patio at the rear of his house and would rob him of any privacy in that area. Mr. Roderick also informed everyone that this cottage was on a private way and therefor not under jurisdiction of the Commission. It was agreed. There was no vote and the request was sent back to the DRM for their decision if one were needed.

**10 Atwood Avenue** – (Expansion of breezeway & garage; window alterations; fireplace addition)

Harry Clark and Ron Freilich presented the plans to the Commissioners. All renovations and/or alterations were agreed to and the following motion was made:

**Motion: Gino Verzone made a motion “not to refer” with the following condition: All windows are to be true divide. Ardis Markarian seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.**

**16 Standish Street** – (Renovations/remodeling of house and cottage)

William Whitaker was represented by William Dougal, his realtor. Mr. Dougal had sold the property to Mr. Whitaker but had no real knowledge of the plans. The owner would like to start renovations on the cottage first. After a great deal of discussion the following motions were made:

**Motion: Gino Verzone made a motion regarding the main house with the following conditions:**

- 1. Doghouse dormers to be no more than 4' wide.**
- 2. New windows will be true divides 2 over 1.**
- 3. All other items approved as presented.**

**Roger Keene seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

**16 Standish Street (cont.)**

**Motion: Austin Knight made a motion regarding the cottage with the following conditions:**

- 1. Plans approved as modified – A revised plan will be submitted at the next meeting**
- 2. Windows to have factory installed exterior muntins – 2 over 2.**
- 3. No cupola**
- 4. Reduce the width of deck from 10' to 8' with columns at corners.**

**Gino Verzone seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

**514 Commercial Street – Fire House** (Request for removal of chimney)

Joe Notaro presented, once again, on behalf of the Provincetown Board of Fire Engineers. The proposal had dragged on and on with two different proposals being submitted. Finally, after a great deal of discussion the following motion was presented:

**Motion: Gino Verzone made a motion “not to refer” with the following conditions:**

- 1. Existing chimney may be removed.**
- 2. New venting for HVAC to be approved by Historical Commission UNLESS it is rebuilt in kind.**

**Ardis Markarian seconded it and it was unanimously approved.**

**307 Bradford Street** - (Replacement of roof deck w/new guardrail; replace windows & doors)

Chris Rego, the contractor, presented on behalf of the owner, Philip Katzen. The deliberations of this project were responsible for at least an hour of the Commissioners' time. Every point was pondered at length. Finally a motion was made and the vote was two – for the project and two – against the project. At this time it was decided to discuss

another project and return to this one.

**616 Commercial Street** – [Remove and replace deck (same footprint and size)]

Jeff Mansfield was represented by Joseph Porcaro for this project. It was a relatively simple replacement with no changes.

**Motion: Roger Keene made a motion to approve the proposal as presented with the request to have captured balustrades on the railings. Austin Knight seconded it and it passed unanimously.**

**307 Bradford Street** (continuation)

After a bit more discussion the following was decided:

**Motion: Austin Knight made a motion “not to refer” based on the following conditions:**

- 1. Bradford Street façade windows on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor to be replaced with pair of windows to match south façade with factory applied 6 over 6 muntins and trim to match on exterior.**
- 2. Barn door on right facing Allerton Street to be replaced by wood, true divide (9 or 12 pane) French doors provided single door on south façade be replaced with bead-board door to match existing doors on building.**
- 3. Top railings on stairs and deck will have balusters captured.**

**Gino Verzone seconded the motion and it passed 3 – 1 opposed (Roger Keene)**

Comment: Commission strongly recommends that the existing barn doors be rebuilt rather than being replaced by French doors.

**21 Tremont Street** – (Replace existing brick steps & platform w/wood & shingle)

Jean Brock presented on behalf of her husband, Harry Brock. She told the Commissioners that her husband had done research on their request and they were comfortable with their plan.

**Motion: Roger Keene made a motion to accept the plan as presented. Ardis Markarian seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

**Committee Discussion:**

A discussion was held regarding new members, i.e., “Where are they?” New members had been promised by absentee members and they have not materialized.

Austin Knight feels the Commission (and Town) has serious issues that should be discussed soon. One of the issues is the Heritage Museum; where does the Commission stand on this? Much of the discussion was just that. A discussion – period – with no definitive decisions.

**Motion: A motion was made to accept the minutes of the September 6, 2000 meeting as amended. It was seconded and approved unanimously.**

**Motion to adjourn came at 12:00 noon**

The next meeting will take place on October 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M.(The work session will begin at 9:00 a.m.)

Respectfully  
submitted,

Evelyn Rogers Gaudiano

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ date  
Roger Keene, Chairman