

## MINUTES

Demolition Review Committee  
Meeting 05/08/2020

The "Coronavirus" statement was read by D. Choate and the meeting called to order at 11:05 A.M.  
Present were: David Choate, Elizabeth Sanborn, Alex Herlihy, Bev Giblin (Alternate) and Kate Drago (Town of Rye).

Attendance: David Choate – Aye, Elizabeth Sanborn – Aye, Bev Giblin - Aye, Alex Herlihy - Aye

Minutes reviewed from 04/06/20 mtg. E. Sanborn motioned to accept; B. Giblin seconded;  
Rollcall Vote: Elizabeth Sanborn – Aye, Bev Giblin – Aye, David Choate – Aye. Alex Herlihy did not vote as he was not in attendance at the meeting.

Purpose: Discuss potential demolition of the house at 6 Harborview Drive.  
Proposed Plan: Tear down and leave lot vacant for resale at a future date.

The Committee had no discussion on significance.

D. Choate asked for a vote on significance.

E. Sanborn moved no significance

A. Herlihy 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Rollcall vote: Alex Herlihy - Aye, Bev Giblin – Aye, Elizabeth Sanborn – Aye, David Choate – Aye,

Committee voted that the property is NOT significant.

D. Choate will notify the Building Inspector, Peter Rowell, of our decision and Kate Drago will prepare the Notice of Decision.

David Choate updated the committee about how the 1681 Ocean Blvd "renovations" got out of hand. They had received permission to raise the building up in order to replace the foundation as well as to put on a new roof. It went well beyond that and they removed the second story. They have been issued a cease and desist order until the DRC can review. More to come (Kate will find out the status and report back to D. Choate).

To discourage bad behaviors we, as committee members, need to keep our antenna up for ZBA decisions that may seem too liberal. We have many segments of homes in jeopardy. A. Herlihy will distribute to the committee members two lists: one of the history of housing developments in Rye; and the other list documents the history as known for the oldest houses in Rye. A segment of time for home building for which we need to be vigilant is the period between 1900-1950.

Jen Madden has submitted a letter to the Rye Heritage Commission to serve as an Alternate to the Demolition Review Committee. The next step is for the RHC (Phil Walsh) to make a formal appointment and then she can be sworn in. The BOS appointment is not necessary.

D. Choate will continue to seek to find out the Committee's approved budget from Kate and Janice.

E. Sanborn motioned to adjourn and A. Herlihy seconded the motion.

Rollcall Vote: Unanimous acceptance A. Herlihy - Aye, Bev Giblin – Aye, Elizabeth Sanborn – Aye, David Choate - Aye

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth Sanborn