



Old King's Highway Regional Historic District Commission

First District Courthouse, Barnstable, Mass. 02630

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CAPE COD HOME IMPROVEMENT
SPECIALISTS, INC. and
DR. & MRS. JOHN LEWIS

Appellants

VS.

THE OLD KING'S HIGHWAY REGIONAL
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMITTEE FOR
THE TOWN OF SANDWICH

Appellee

DECISION

Case No. 81-6

A hearing was held on May 19, 1981 by the above Commission on an appeal filed by the above Appellants from the decision of the Sandwich Historic District Committee denying a Certificate of Appropriateness to the Appellants who sought to place vinyl siding on the exterior of a house located at 174 Main Street in Sandwich, Mass.

Present were: Mr. Hanger, Dennis, Mr. Ivers, Brewster, Mr. Long, Yarmouth, Mr. MacSwan, Barnstable, Mr. Sutton, Sandwich, and James R. Wilson, counsel for the Commission. Also present were Mrs. Lewis and Mr. Shifflett.

The decision of the Town Committee was filed with the Town Clerk on April 22, 1981, and the appeal entered with the Commission on April 27, 1981, within the ten-day appeal period.

Mr. Shifflett addressed the Commission and stated the various advantages to the vinyl siding and emphasized the care with which his company would perform the work. He indicated that all rotting or defective clapboards would be removed so that no rot or insect infestation would be sealed under the vinyl siding. He further indicated that the vinyl siding would be shaped and sculptured to fit into the wooden parts that will remain on the house. He further offered photographs of neighborhood houses which had previously had vinyl siding installed. He showed photographs of the subject house and indicated that the original home was built in 1832.

Mr. Sutton indicated that his Committee was unaware that vinyl would be sculptured to fit into the wooden pieces.

Letters from Mr. Nickerson and Mr. & Mrs. Ayotte were read into the record supporting the application.

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Based upon the evidence before the Commission, it makes the following findings:

1. That an error was made at the local hearing due to a failure to have discovered all of the details of the application specifically the intent to sculpture the vinyl siding to fit with the wooden pieces.

2. That due to this error the decision by the Committee should be annulled and the matter remanded to the Town Committee for further review and action.

The Applicants were advised that they may appeal to the First District Court of Barnstable by filing an appropriate complaint within 20 days of the filing of this Decision with the Sandwich Town Clerk.

May 21, 1981

Elliott B. MacSwan, Chairman

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