



Old King's Highway Regional Historic District Commission  
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JONATHAN C. and SUSAN J. COVELL

v.

Decision #86-9

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

On Tuesday, June 24, 1986 the Commission held a hearing on Appeal #86-9 filed by Jonathan C. and Susan J. Covell seeking review of a decision by the Brewster Historic District Committee which had denied a Certificate of Appropriateness for the construction of a new home to be located on Millstone Road (Lot #8), Brewster, Massachusetts.

Present were: Mr. MacSwan, Barnstable; Mrs. Stout, Dennis; Mr. Blaisdell, Sandwich; Mr. Smith, Yarmouth; Mr. Ivers, Administrative Assistant; Mr. Wilson, Commission Counsel and Mr. and Mrs. Covell.

The Committee's decision had been filed on May 27, 1986, and the appeal entered with the Regional Commission on June 6, 1986 within the ten day appeal period.

Mr. Covell presented plans of the proposed dwelling which was of a geodesic dome style and suggested that because the house would be more than 500 feet from Route 137 that the geodesic dome architecture would not have a detrimental impact upon the interests of the Act. He suggested that the house would not be significantly visible and therefore it should have been approved by the local Committee.

The Brewster Committee was not represented at the hearing.

After lengthy discussion the Commission made the following findings and determinations:

1. That the geodesic dome architecture of the proposed house would be visible and have a detrimental impact on the interests of the Act.

2. That the Brewster Committee did not exceed its authority or exercise poor judgment in denying the Certificate of Appropriateness.

Decision #86-9 (cont.)

Therefore, the decision of the Brewster Committee is affirmed.

Any person aggrieved by this decision has a right to appeal to the Orleans District Court within 20 days of the filing of this decision with the Brewster Town Clerk.

Anne Stout  
Chairman