



Old King's Highway Regional Historic District Commission

First District Courthouse, Barnstable, Mass. 02630

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EUGENE J. MAHONEY)
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Appellant)
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VS)
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OLD KING'S HIGHWAY REGIONAL HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMITTEE IN THE TOWN OF DENNIS)
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Appellee)

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 TOWN OF DENNIS *s.g.*
 DECISION ON APPEAL
 TO THE ABOVE COMMISSION
 Appeal No. 79-3

A hearing was held on November 6, 1979, by the above Commission upon an appeal by the above appellant from a decision of the Dennis Historic District Committee denying a Certificate of Appropriateness for the construction of a French country house on Lot 3, Old Bass River Road, Dennis, Massachusetts.

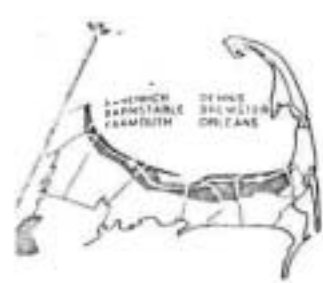
Present were: Mr. MacSwan, Barnstable, Mr. Long, Yarmouth, Mr. Ivers, Brewster, Mr. Sutton, Sandwich, Mr. Dwyer, Dennis, Mr. Mahoney, Mr. Hanger of the Dennis Committee and James R. Wilson, attorney for the Commission.

The committee's decision was rendered on October 11, 1979, and the appeal petition was filed with the Commission on October 22, 1979.

Copies of the plan for the proposed structure were presented to the Commission. Mr. MacSwan reported that he had viewed the site and that it was largely undeveloped although foundations had been established across the street. Mr. Hanger reported that the area was subject to substantial development and that the road was a major inter-link between North and South Dennis. The Dennis committee has recently approved a ranch and a Cape nearby. Most of the houses on Old Bass River Road were described as traditional ranches or Capes. The proposed structure had little resemblance to the existing houses either in style, material, or design. The appellant indicated a willingness to construct a modified ranch on the site in place of the proposed country house.

After discussion the hearing was closed and the following motion made by Mr. Long and seconded by Mr. Ivers was voted 4-0-1:

That the Commission affirm the Dennis committee's denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness for the



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construction of a French country house on Lot 3, Old Bass River Road, Dennis, Mass; and further that the Commission urge the applicant to file a new application for the approval of a modified ranch which would be similar to the one already approved for the applicant on a nearby lot, except that the ranch would have a clapboard front, a different bay window, and a broken roof line, with a garage. Additionally, the applicant should file a plot plan.

Respectfully submitted

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