

BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW
Work Session
Tuesday, July 16, 2002

Mr. Graham called the meeting to order at 7:30 P. M.

Attendance: Mr. Charles Graham; Mrs. Laverne Stebbins; Ms. Heidi Miller; Mr. Jack Gramann; Mr. John Carr. Absent: Mrs. Martha Sheley; Mr. James Treffinger. Also present: Mr. Ryan Shrimplin, Planner.

Mr. Shrimplin introduced Mr. John Carr as the newest member of the Board of Architectural Review.

National Register District

Mr. Loren Gannon, Jr., made a presentation entitled "Preservation 101" concerning the process of creating a National Register District. He reviewed the following key points in his presentation:

1. Historic surveys are necessary for the preservation of buildings.
2. The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 was passed by Congress with strong support from the National Association of Mayors.
3. Big-city mayors were concerned about the impact of urban renewal policies on historic neighborhoods and districts and, as a result of this concern, sponsored a study on urban renewal entitled *Heritage So Great*.
4. Products of the Preservation Act include the Advisory Council for Historic Preservation, State Historic Preservation Officers, the Ohio Historic Inventory (for Ohio), and the National Register of Historic Places.
5. The National Register is only a cataloguing system and does not protect historic properties from demolition or alteration.
6. Getting a property on the National Register is a tedious process involving both state and federal agencies to meet four (4) criteria areas. Outbuildings contribute to the District, as well.
7. Income-generating properties on the National Register qualify for up to a twenty percent (20%) tax credit if remodeling is done in accordance with federal/state standards.

Mrs. Martha Boice, member of the Historical Society, distributed information concerning the federal tax credit program and Centerville's National Register District. The District was the first District to be approved in Montgomery County.

Architectural Preservation District (APD) Lighting/Landscaping Ordinance

Mr. Shrimplin distributed the draft APD Lighting and Landscaping Ordinance to the members.

Mr. Graham suggested that language be inserted into the Ordinance to explicitly prohibit artificial light colors.

Mr. Carr suggested rocks not be banned outright from sign landscaping, but should be limited, possibly by a percentage, to be a minor component of the design.

BAR Sign Color Chart

Mr. Shrimplin distributed copies of the draft BAR Sign Color Chart to the members. Each member is to review the draft chart and forward their comments to the Planning Department. He stated staff will review the chart with Ms. Miller and to make any refinements necessary.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James L. Trappinger". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the text of the meeting minutes.