

NEWBURYPORT REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Minutes of the December 17, 2003 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM.

Members present: Mary Lou Supple, Jan Marcus, Millie Munroe,
Byron Matthews & Laura Rowe.

Design Review: "Not Your Average Joe's"

Steven Silverstein (owner) and Peter Niemitz (designer) made an extensive presentation of their proposed alterations to the exterior of the Firehouse. After reviewing the proposed alterations, the NRA recommended the following:

Front of Firehouse

- 1) The restaurant entrance is planned to be to the right of the entrance to the Firehouse lobby.
The NRA suggested a linear sign on the granite above the restaurant entrance rather than the square "Joe's" sign.
- 2) "Joe's" logo to be enlarged on the four front awnings.
- 3) The trim on the restaurant doors and windows to remain the same as the existing Firehouse trim - i.e., white instead of the black proposed by the restaurant designer.

Rear of Firehouse

- 1) Eliminate the strip of black & gold atop the upper floor; it should remain white as it is now.
- 2) Eliminate the "Joe's" sign on the far right. Instead, the NRA would approve a restaurant sign (or signs) attached to the solid brick wall on the far left. Mr. Niemitz will create some sign variations, in compliance with NRA sign regulations, to be approved by the NRA.
- 3) The awnings on the first floor under the balcony should be in a more neutral color, perhaps a shade of gray or taupe.
- 4) The steel rod framework of the "seasonal tent structure" will be attached to the rear of the Firehouse and painted white to match the existing addition. The NRA recommends that the tent's "curtains" have transparent inserts to allow a view of the waterfront when the "curtains" are drawn.

MOTION made and passed to recommend the above changes to the restaurant's proposed alterations to the exterior of the Firehouse subject to the approval of the Waterfront Trust and the Historical Commission.

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Firehouse Dumpster Corral Lease

The draft of a lease prepared by the Society for the Development of Arts and Humanities was reviewed by Atty. Carol Powers a few days ago, and her written comments and suggested revisions were reviewed by members.

The proposed monthly rent of \$500, which was not approved by a vote, was considered too high. A rent of \$250/month was suggested, but not brought to a vote.

The SDAH will have a formal lease drawn up.

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M. Supple did move the \$78,680 from the Ipswich bank to the First & Ocean Bank.

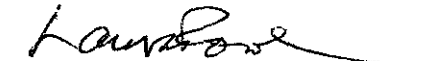
MOTION made and passed to approve the minutes as presented.

February Meeting Change

The February meeting has been rescheduled to Thursday, February 12, at 6 PM.

MOTION made and passed to adjourn at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Laura Rowe, Secretary