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13 BEFORE:

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15 FRANK UELLEDAHL - CHAIRMAN

16 ROSELLE BORRELLI - MEMBER

17 LUCY CLARK - MEMBER

18 DENNIS MCMAHON - MEMBER

19 CAROLINE WALOSKI - MEMBER (Excused)

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21 DAVID ABATELLI - VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

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1 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: Welcome all.
2 This is the Historic Preservation
3 Commission, our regular meeting, December
4 2, 2013, and it is now 5:06. My name is
5 Frank Uellendahl.

6 MEMBER BORRELLI: Roselle Borrelli.

7 MEMBER CLARK: Lucy Clark.

8 MEMBER MCMAHON: Dennis McMahon.

9 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: Okay. So we
10 have three applications on the agenda
11 tonight. And is there anyone to speak to
12 Item No. 1, 449 Main Street? I guess not.
13 So maybe someone will show up and we will
14 discuss this later.

15 Then we're moving right onto Item No.
16 2. Discussion and possible motion on an

17 application submitted by John Kramer of GPO
18 Central Avenue, the owner of the
19 residential property located in the
20 Historic District at 138 Central Avenue.
21 He would like to install replacement
22 windows and replace the existing hinged
23 garage door with an overhead door. SCTM#
24 1001-3-5-18.

25 John, welcome. We know what I have

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1 just read into the minutes that you're
2 going to redo some of the windows or all of
3 the windows.

4 MR. KRAMER: All of the windows,
5 hopefully.

6 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: And then the
7 garage door. But there is no attachment.
8 There is no drawing. There is no details.
9 So you have to tell us what it is that you
10 want to do.

11 MR. KRAMER: Well, all the windows are
12 six over one's and some six over six's. I

13 don't care which because it's an insulated
14 grid on an interior window. You tell me
15 what you want and I will do it. Right now,
16 there is single pane.

17 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Yes. The actual
18 six over one's --

19 MR. KRAMER: Some of them are six over
20 one's and some of them are six over six's.
21 I was thinking of replacing them with six
22 over one's.

23 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Okay. You
24 happen to have Board members who happen to
25 live right on your block. Dennis is right

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1 across the street and I am just slightly
2 down the block. I looked at your building,
3 it needs some work, obviously. Why don't
4 you tell us what it is that you would like
5 to do because you just bought it recently.

6 MR. KRAMER: Yes.

7 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: There are

8 certain things that you may like and
9 certain things that you do not like that
10 you may want to do later.

11 MR. KRAMER: There are more things I
12 find as days go by. I bought a three
13 family house and there is one apartment --
14 the third apartment, which is in the back,
15 second floor, is totally finished and ready
16 to rent. That was a plus until I started
17 looking at why I only have a seven foot
18 ceiling. And now, that controls
19 everything.

20 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: It's still legal
21 ceiling height.

22 MR. KRAMER: Yeah. So, basically, as
23 far as the outside goes, my hope is to
24 leave the siding because I can buy cement
25 shingles if I need to. I was in the

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1 insurance business for 35 years and that
2 stuff is bullet proof. It lasts forever.
3 I have built two houses, one was vertical

4 cedar siding, which I stained every two
5 years until I sold that bitch. And then I
6 put red cedar shakes on the other house and
7 I stained that every four years. You know,
8 until I sold that. I like the fact that it
9 doesn't need constant maintenance.

10 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: John, I don't
11 mean to interrupt but there are now on the
12 market new materials that we approve in the
13 Historic District.

14 MR. KRAMER: Right. The fact that
15 that is existing, where does that leave me?

16 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Well, we cannot
17 enforce you to replace the siding if you
18 want to do the windows. At one point, if
19 you are planning to do the siding for the
20 entire house, which you are not right now
21 --

22 MR. KRAMER: Not right now.

23 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Then we would
24 like you to come back and we can talk about
25 it. We're talking about just basically

1 doing some -- there may be a few different
2 openings, because you may need to put in
3 slightly larger windows for egress; is that
4 right?

5 MR. KRAMER: No. The windows are
6 huge.

7 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: So we're talking
8 about basically matching.

9 MR. KRAMER: Matching one window
10 upstairs.

11 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: So we're talking
12 about small areas that need to be matched
13 to the existing areas?

14 MR. KRAMER: Exactly.

15 MEMBER MCMAHON: This is something
16 that goes within the existing framework.
17 You're not really pulling the entire window
18 out, just the center. It's replacement.
19 It fits in. The person that you had
20 pricing your windows our for you, it was
21 for replacement window --

22 MR. KRAMER: Yeah.

23 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Okay. So the
24 trim wouldn't be effected?

25 MEMBER MCMAHON: That's correct.

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1 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: So you know a
2 little bit more, Dennis?

3 MEMBER MCMAHON: Well, no, I don't
4 know if it was these people --

5 MR. KRAMER: Those people.

6 MEMBER MCMAHON: This goes within your
7 window frame.

8 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: So Dennis, what
9 is this window made up? What is the
10 material?

11 MEMBER MCMAHON: I am not familiar
12 with this product but if it's Therma Tru
13 doors, then it's all vinyl.

14 MR. KRAMER: Yes. Not wood at all.
15 It's vinyl.

16 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Basically, we
17 like wood but --

18 MEMBER MCMAHON: We do accept vinyl
19 clad windows.

20 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Right. So as
21 far as the grill work is concerned, six
22 over one --

23 MR. KRAMER: Right.

24 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: I personally
25 don't like the interior grill. We would

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1 actually like to see an exterior -- we're
2 mostly concerned with the exterior and the
3 way that it looks from the street. So we
4 would like to actually see the grills from
5 the outside. I am sure they make --

6 MR. KRAMER: I think that is an
7 option.

8 MEMBER MCMAHON: You know what the
9 term is, John, true and divided light.
10 That is what Frank is getting at.

11 MR. KRAMER: There will be a grid on
12 the outside if that is what you want.

13 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: That is what we
14 would like. There are different grills
15 options. I can only speak for Marrin's or
16 Anderson's.

17 MR. KRAMER: I am not even looking at
18 Anderson because every time I use Anderson,
19 they rot from the inside out. They say,
20 oh, it's guaranteed for life. Well, that's
21 great. You have to tear your house apart
22 to replace the windows. So their guarantee
23 is worthless. That is why I specified, I
24 don't want one once of wood in that
25 replacement window. I want nothing but

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1 vinyl. This is another one. This is also
2 solid vinyl. They all look as historic as
3 you want.

4 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: I want to double
5 check, we approve some composite materials.
6 Dave?

7 MR. ABATELLI: I don't know the
8 specifics. I think all vinyl windows go to

9 the company they actually look like.

10 MEMBER MCMAHON: Whether you do six
11 over one, it doesn't matter. Every house
12 on that street has got a variety of
13 windows. Mine included. I have three and
14 maybe four different windows in that house.

15 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: I do too.

16 MEMBER MCMAHON: So that is not a
17 concern. So the fact that you're
18 presenting that, that's great. It should
19 be your choice.

20 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: John, who is
21 going to -- will it be locally? For
22 example, do they have this window in the
23 showroom?

24 MR. KRAMER: I think they're in
25 Bohemia or something like that.

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1 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: So what does
2 everyone think about this? The window
3 looks --

4 MEMBER MCMAHON: Again, as I said, if
5 John chooses to go six over one, that's
6 fine with us. It's a component of the
7 house. If there is an option to get an
8 exterior grill, that would be great.

9 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: We would like to
10 see the exterior grill. That is something
11 that we do want.

12 MEMBER MCMAHON: Some of those grills
13 are so cheap. They are snap-in's.

14 MR. KRAMER: No. These are in between
15 the thermo glass.

16 MEMBER MCMAHON: That's a good thing.

17 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: So can you find
18 out for us if they actually --

19 MR. KRAMER: I know that is an option.
20 I was asked if I wanted it.

21 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: I don't see it
22 here.

23 MR. KRAMER: I was offered that.

24 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: What is your
25 timeframe?

1 MR. KRAMER: I think this is number
2 one because it probably takes about a
3 month.

4 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: Maybe more.
5 Anderson would take six weeks.

6 MR. KRAMER: So as soon as I settle on
7 who my contractor is, I am going to order
8 them.

9 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: So it says here,
10 our exterior grid package combined with a
11 permanently installed faceted grid with a
12 contour to give a more authentic
13 appearance. That is what we're looking
14 for. This is a great option. It says
15 Historical guidelines need to be followed.
16 So this what we're going to go forward
17 with.

18 MR. KRAMER: Yes.

19 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: Can I have this
20 brochure?

21 MR. KRAMER: I can get you one?

22 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: Yes. I would

23 like to have a copy for our file. So are
24 all windows in the house going to be
25 replaced or just certain windows?

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1 MR. KRAMER: Right now, all windows.
2 I am still figuring out the design of the
3 main floor. So probably the windows from
4 the front will be replaced. Most of the
5 windows that you can see will be replaced.
6 Yeah, in fact, I think all will be
7 replaced. There are two that are going to
8 be eliminated.

9 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: Okay. So you're
10 basically right now focusing on replacing
11 the windows and then you're also focusing
12 on the garage door?

13 MR. KRAMER: Yes. The garage now has
14 doors that swing that way and what I want
15 to do is change that to an overhead door.
16 And I was looking at some brochures -- I
17 thought I brought them.

18 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Yes, we would
19 like to see them.

20 MR. KRAMER: But I was thinking about
21 a carriage type of design. It's not going
22 to be a plain roll-up door. Some small
23 lights.

24 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: We have
25 approved, obviously overhead doors. That

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1 shouldn't be a problem. If you could
2 submit something?

3 MR. KRAMER: Yes. I will get some
4 brochures.

5 MEMBER BORRELLI: The carriage door is
6 pretty.

7 MR. KRAMER: It looks old. It's nice.

8 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: There are so
9 many different designs and styles, with or
10 without windows. So you will submit some
11 --

12 MR. KRAMER: Yes.

13 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: I don't have any

14 problems. Lucy, you are awfully quiet.

15 MEMBER CLARK: That's okay. I have
16 nothing to say. If I had something to say,
17 I would say it.

18 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Okay. Is there
19 any other discussion on John Kramer's
20 application?

21 MEMBER MCMAHON: I don't believe so.
22 No. Just submit what he plans to do.

23 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: So may I ask for
24 a motion?

25 MEMBER MCMAHON: I will make a motion

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1 to approve this application for new windows
2 with --

3 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: With exterior
4 grills, six over one.

5 MEMBER CLARK: I second.

6 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: All in favor?

7 MEMBER BORRELLI: Aye.

8 MEMBER CLARK: Aye.

9 MEMBER MCMAHON: Aye.

10 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Aye.

11 All are in favor.

12 Moving onto Item No. 3, discussion and
13 possible motion on an application submitted
14 by Bill Von Eiff from the First Baptist
15 Church. The church is located in the
16 Historic District at 650 Main Street. The
17 application calls for replacing the Church
18 steeple with prefabricated 26'-4" high
19 fiberglass steeple. The considerable
20 larger, was much larger at 40 feet high
21 historic wood steeple with a more massive
22 base was removed in 2010. SCTM
23 #1001-3-4-12.1.

24 Welcome, gentlemen.

25 MR. VON EIFF: Hi. How are you?

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1 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Welcome back
2 after almost three years. Do you remember
3 out discussion back then?

4 MR. VON EIFF: I remember some of it.

5 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: Both gentlemen
6 were here back in 2010, and there was
7 discussion -- I was the only one who
8 survived that Board, other than Caroline
9 Waloski, who excused herself from today.
10 So why don't you give us the history of
11 what happened and why?

12 MR. VON EIFF: Sure. We had to remove
13 the steeple because the rot was so sever
14 that parts were starting to come off and
15 give way. And then what was happening, the
16 way that it was constructed, the water was
17 getting into the building and destroying
18 the interior of the building.

19 MR. LOMATHE: We spent thousands of
20 dollars of trying to get that steeple
21 repaired with some of the best people in
22 the area.

23 MR. VON EIFF: So that is basically
24 what had happened. At that point, we had
25 to remove it because it was more of an

1 interior to keep.

2 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: So it was a
3 structural necessity?

4 MR. LOMATHE: Without question.

5 MR. VON EIFF: And with the new
6 steeple, on that. The specs changed a
7 little. The new would be approximately 31
8 feet, 10 inches tall. That is what the new
9 paperwork we had given you. So it would --
10 it won't be the 40 feet tall steeple that
11 we once had. But that's okay.

12 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: I don't see any
13 tears.

14 MR. VON EIFF: Not after all the work
15 that we had to do inside the church.

16 MR. LOMATHE: We're dealing with
17 restoration problems because of that.

18 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: So I mean, I
19 tell you what -- I am heartbroken that that
20 beautiful unique steeple is gone but I
21 understand. Some structures need to be
22 maintained and replaced. I still think

23 that the base that you used to be -- this
24 used to be -- this was beautiful. I miss
25 it every time I drive by. It was one of

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1 those landmarks in Greenport -- Greenport
2 has a lot of churches and they are all
3 different.

4 MR. VON EIFF: Yes.

5 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: Let me not talk
6 because I talked to them three years ago.
7 I was very --

8 MEMBER BORRELLI: Can I ask a question
9 here?

10 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: Sure.

11 MEMBER BORRELLI: Is it serving a
12 purpose here? Is it going to be have
13 music?

14 MR. LOMATHE: No.

15 MEMBER BORRELLI: So it's purely
16 aesthetic?

17 MR. VON EIFF: Yes. The bell is on
18 the side of the church.

19 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Is it going to
20 stay there?

21 MR. VON EIFF: Yeah. We couldn't even
22 get the bell back up there. The bell
23 itself weighs about 800 pounds. It's cast.
24 It's a beautiful bell.

25 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Is it still

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1 operational?

2 MR. VON EIFF: Yes. We have it on the
3 ground. So at least we can still use it.
4 It's purely aesthetic. To really restore
5 our building to look more like a church
6 instead of right now.

7 MR. VON EIFF: Without a steeple, it
8 looks more like a meeting hall. When you
9 look at it.

10 MEMBER BORRELLI: You can't get one of
11 those electronic ones? Like one's with the
12 Caroline's?

13 MR. VON EIFF: We can. We can, sure. We

14 can do that. That is no problem. This will
15 house that.

16 MEMBER BORRELLI: I am trying to get
17 an idea with the cupola panels, whether
18 they're going to be operational or not.
19 Whether there will be sound coming out of
20 it?

21 MR. VON EIFF: That can be added at
22 any point. That actually is an option. We
23 weren't sure if we were really looking at
24 that.

25 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: They were

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1 louvres.

2 MEMBER BORRELLI: So I am assuming if
3 you are going to do the music -- I don't
4 know. I was just wondering if you can have
5 a louvre big enough to get the music out
6 there?

7 MR. VON EIFF: That is big enough to
8 hold because the music box is small. It's
9 just a little speaker. Mattituck

10 Presbyterian has that.

11 MEMBER BORRELLI: What year was the
12 church built?

13 MR. VON EIFF: It was the mid 1800's.

14 MR. LOMATHE: It's complicated. How
15 much detail do you want?

16 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: A lot. The more
17 detail, the better.

18 MR. LOMATHE: Okay. I will give you
19 the core of it. That main part of the
20 building, that sanctuary was built over
21 where North Road and Main Road meet. That
22 was the early 1830's. The building was
23 built maybe 1832-33. In 1845, it was moved
24 to the present location and expanded. In
25 1871, the chapel in the back was added.

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1 It's been a big mishagous (phonetic).

2 Seriously, it goes back.

3 MEMBER BORRELLI: So what I am getting
4 at, the columns in the front are looking --

5 MR. LOMATHE: Those were done in the
6 1930's.

7 MEMBER BORRELLI: Okay. I am looking
8 at the old church, if you have these old
9 greetian --

10 MR. LOMATHE: Okay. Right. That was
11 put on in the early 1930's. The original
12 doorway was a small doorway with a covered
13 -- almost like a tiny box covering.

14 MEMBER BORRELLI: I am just trying to
15 stay in some kind of period here and match
16 something.

17 MR. VON EIFF: When you look at the
18 steeple and the -- we spent a lot of time
19 looking at the building. If you look at
20 the building, it actually has that
21 traditional look. That baptist church.
22 That is why we were going with that. This
23 will match better and there is a -- out
24 committee at our church feels that this
25 will really still capture that traditional

1 look. It's not going to be -- it's still a
2 good six. It's six feet wide. You have
3 the complete steeple itself. The big part
4 of this, it weighs less than a thousand
5 pounds. That's really important to us
6 because when that goes up onto the roof,
7 structurally, the roof is sound. The beams
8 are true. They're really strong beams.

9 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: I like to hear
10 that.

11 MR. VON EIFF: We have some flooring
12 things that we want to take care of but the
13 main structure can support something like
14 this very comfortably. It's going to be
15 manufactured -- which we're spending
16 another \$3,000.00 for it to sustain 130
17 mile an hour wind. We thought within the
18 steeple itself. So it's going to be a
19 strong piece. We're going to do some minor
20 details to it. So it looks more historic.
21 And it won't just look like fiberglass up
22 there. It won't. That was our concern
23 too. We have as much concern as everyone

24 else to keep it very traditional.

25 MEMBER BORRELLI: I like it.

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1 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: Let me interrupt
2 you. I am glad that you said that the roof
3 structure is structurally safe. I still
4 have big problem with this skimpy
5 dimension. What I think we should have,
6 you know, I would really like to see some
7 kind of drawing or some kind of
8 presentation where you -- I mean, we have
9 the old steeple here. But what it would
10 look like with --

11 MEMBER BORRELLI: Scaled onto the
12 church.

13 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: We do need some
14 kind of comparison. This is what we asked
15 for three years ago.

16 MR. VON EIFF: Well. We have the
17 building. What we would as comparison would
18 be more like this.

19 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: This is -- you
20 shouldn't show us this. This is not
21 Greenport. This is a 1960's church with a
22 steeple on top. We're in the Historic
23 District. We have this beautiful building
24 and it deserves something. I mean, we're
25 trying to work with you but if you have a

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1 good roof system, is there a possibility to
2 construct at least that 14x14. Now it's
3 30x6.

4 MR. VON EIFF: You have to look at the
5 time, the 14x14 was tremendously overbuilt.
6 And when we have that --

7 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Well, I am
8 looking at the photograph. I don't feel
9 that it's overbuilt. Let's not forget, of
10 course, you had your bell in there.

11 MR. VON EIFF: It's a structure -- we
12 want to honor God. It's a church. You
13 know, we have to do what -- you know, we're
14 talking about two things. We were talking

15 about what you would like to see in the
16 width. I did price that. We're looking at
17 over \$20,000.00 versus around
18 \$12-\$13,000.00, which is still a lot of
19 money. And yet, I am not sure it's still
20 going to give the aesthetics that you want
21 because it's 8 feet and only 2 feet wide.
22 Then who is going to pay for that? We're
23 thankful --

24 MEMBER BORRELLI: Just a little
25 suggestion?

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1 MR. VON EIFF: Sure.

2 MEMBER BORRELLI: How about a shorter
3 steeple but wider, so that it would look
4 more historic? Because if we're going to
5 put the cross up on top, and even spot it
6 on the sides with the balls.

7 MR. VON EIFF: Right.

8 MEMBER BORRELLI: You know what would
9 look pretty, even a copper top. I don't

10 know. You could do copper or do whatever.
11 But maybe if you make the base of it wider,
12 you would need less height and less worry
13 about the hurricanes and the wind, if you
14 make the base wider and won't look as odd.
15 It won't look as modern. If you make it
16 fatter and wider on the bottom, it will be
17 shorter in the height then maybe we could
18 just put a bigger cross on the top?

19 MR. VON EIFF: We could look at it.
20 They don't have a tremendous amount of
21 options. Once you get to custom work, it's
22 very expensive.

23 MEMBER BORRELLI: Even in the vinyl or
24 the fiberglass or whatever it is. You can
25 make that look just like wood. What's

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1 strange is that, this one looks very modern
2 and this looks period correct to the
3 church, you know? So if we could just make
4 it fatter and wider, you don't have to
5 worry about the height because you're

6 already more stable on the hurricanes. I
7 am thinking. And just go for a taller
8 cross.

9 MR. LOMATHE: I don't know if these
10 guys can fabricate that for the price that
11 we want.

12 MEMBER BORRELLI: If we go higher up,
13 shouldn't it be the same cost in materials
14 if we take some height off and put -- if we
15 take it off vertically and put it on
16 horizontally? It's the same material.

17 MR. VON EIFF: It's not a matter of
18 material. It's actually a matter of
19 design. What holes they have.

20 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: So Dennis, what
21 is your take on this?

22 MEMBER MCMAHON: These things, like
23 most of the buildings in Greenport go
24 through these period changes. This thing
25 could have been overbuilt for that roof

1 system. It failed because of the louvers
2 and that's typical in a lot of structures.
3 The change-up is here nor there. It might
4 have been capable of holding this. You
5 have a certain amount of money. I know
6 that louver system has failed a lot of
7 things. The Universal Church in Southold.
8 They did repairs to that years ago. That's
9 what happened. I can say that it was
10 structurally sound to carry the structure
11 that it was built on. In some, it's just
12 bad taste and in some cases, it just can't
13 handle the louvres. When this was put on,
14 whether it was put it on after it was moved
15 --

16 MR. LOMATHE: It was put on afterward,
17 but I cannot find any records of such.

18 MEMBER MCMAHON: It could have just
19 been a bad idea. I understand what
20 everybody is saying. I understand. That's
21 factory. These people here are looking for
22 a way to get something done. Three stage
23 structure, as this was three stages. Of

24 course, it's not as wide as it was years
25 ago. You need to see things changed up.

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1 This is a house of worship. They need to
2 do what they can. Whether they can afford
3 it. You know, everybody has a story to
4 tell. You have to take all of these things
5 into the direction.

6 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: But still, it's
7 the Historic District?

8 MEMBER MCMAHON: Yes. You can try and
9 give it another shot and add some girth to
10 it. I understand what you're saying.
11 Generally, these people put out steeples
12 like they put out bolts. When you start
13 adding to the width of these things, then
14 you have to change everything along with
15 it. Not just the base.

16 MEMBER BORRELLI: I was just saying,
17 it prefabricated exist --

18 MR. LOMATHE: To be honest with you,
19 that is what we were looking for.

20 Obviously, we wanted to have as close as
21 the dimensions as we had before but we
22 quickly found out, that it was impossible.
23 You are looking at custom work and as Bill
24 said, the price just goes up.

25 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Lucy, what do

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1 you think?

2 MEMBER CLARK: Ideally, I would love
3 to see as it is but I understand that they
4 are financially strapped.

5 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: I mean, can you
6 build at least the base, the first base out
7 of conventional materials and then put
8 something on top of it?

9 MR. VON EIFF: We could look into it,
10 sure.

11 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: This shouldn't
12 be a huge expense. I have a big concern
13 about the skinniness of it and sitting on
14 top of this very wide gable roof and I just

15 don't think that it looks right. That is
16 why I have a problem with this. This is
17 terrible.

18 MEMBER CLARK: It's a whole different
19 structure.

20 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: I man, I am
21 involved with the Historical Society.
22 We're trying to raise money and rebuild --
23 I know.

24 MR. VON EIFF: Right.

25 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: We're doing

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1 fundraising and I am sure you're doing the
2 same thing.

3 MR. VON EIFF: Right.

4 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: But I would like
5 you to come back to us to prepare something
6 or present something that will be -- as
7 Roselle was saying. I would be willing to
8 look at something that is more stumpy or
9 shorter --

10 MEMBER CLARK: Shorter, wider and less

11 height.

12 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: It has more to
13 do with the massive church.

14 MR. VON EIFF: What I have seen, there
15 are two fabricators. This is based in
16 North Carolina. There is another one in
17 Alabama. What I have seen, I have not seen
18 the bases get wider than 8 feet. What you
19 are talking about is 12 to 14.

20 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Also the
21 possibility to build maybe the first and
22 second in wood --

23 MR. VON EIFF: Well, I am thinking
24 about that as you are saying it, I am a
25 quasi-contractor, you are looking at

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1 another five grand to build something that
2 is going to work and to hold this. What I
3 can do, is call the company and see what
4 their options are and see. I did look at
5 another one it was shorter than this one.

6 It was 26 feet. It had an 8 foot base but
7 it was up to \$16,000.00 and then adding
8 shipping of \$3,000.00. Then you are
9 looking at in the twenties and that is not
10 feasible. Having you know, it installed
11 and having Freddy come with his cherry
12 picker, you know. It's a lot. We felt
13 that this was a huge compromise. When you
14 look at the building, it's not as wide.
15 You have two other churches that have
16 tremendously different steeples and we felt
17 that, you have a lot of diversity there
18 with a historic look.

19 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: They are all
20 different. That is the variety and the
21 complexity of architecture.

22 MR. VON EIFF: I have traveled around
23 the country and visited many churches. I
24 spent two years traveling the company and
25 visiting churches in an RV with my family

1 and we went to baptist churches. This is a

2 very common. Even with the old churches.
3 I think what happens, is that they fail too
4 many options in trying to keep this
5 traditional look. This is the traditional
6 one. They have modern ones too. I like
7 your idea, Frank, I just think that things
8 become cost prohibitive. When you
9 fabricate with wood, then it's another
10 failure --

11 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: I don't want to
12 say only but we're talking about an
13 additional \$5,000.00 or whatever it is.
14 This to me, is still a number that can be
15 looked it. Say, look, let's get the
16 congregation together. Let's do raise some
17 money. Let's get everyone else involved.
18 If they like this -- I mean, nobody has
19 probably seen anything other than this --

20 MR. VON EIFF: I will share one thing
21 about the finances. This is not a
22 congregation that can raise the finances.
23 So that is another issue. That is the
24 problem too. I really feel that this -- I

25 feel that you would not be disappointed. I

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1 can look into what you are saying but I --
2 it's hard.

3 MR. LOMATHE: I'm going to be honest,
4 we're not sitting on fat endowments.

5 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: This church
6 here, they have a little bit more money.

7 MR. VON EIFF: Yes.

8 MEMBER BORRELLI: How about no
9 steeple? I am just wondering.

10 MR. LOMATHE: That's the cheapest
11 option.

12 MEMBER BORRELLI: What about a very
13 large white cross? Like the Greeks have on
14 the orthodox church?

15 MEMBER MCMAHON: It's not historical.
16 I understand what you are saying.

17 MEMBER BORRELLI: I am just saying if
18 money is an issue. If the --

19 MR. VON EIFF: The steeples have

20 always been aesthetic.

21 MEMBER BORRELLI: They have always
22 held a bell.

23 MR. VON EIFF: Not all of them. If you
24 go down south and out west, none of them
25 hold bells.

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1 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: The bell is
2 still functioning.

3 MEMBER CLARK: The bell is still
4 functioning on the side.

5 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: All right. I
6 feel like we have at least made progress
7 and discussed this in more depth. And
8 everybody is getting very much involved in
9 this.

10 MEMBER CLARK: I would like to revisit
11 Frank's request to show us your proposed
12 structure as it would look on the church.

13 MR. VON EIFF: Yeah, sure. I can do
14 it with a computer. Do a digital shot.
15 Pretty close.

16 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: So then we would
17 have the original and the proposed, but
18 please continue to look at the research.

19 MR. VON EIFF: I will look at that
20 again. As I said, we can look at that
21 again.

22 MEMBER CLARK: I believe in miracles.

23 MR. VON EIFF: I do too. I do too.

24 MEMBER BORRELLI: I have seen one's
25 with the copper --

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1 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Don't mention
2 copper here.

3 MEMBER CLARK: She has twice.

4 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Copper is very
5 extensive. It's one of the most expensive.

6 MR. VON EIFF: Can we submit the
7 picture to you or do we have to comeback to
8 you?

9 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: You should come
10 back.

11 MR. VON EIFF: When is the next
12 meeting?

13 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: January 6th.

14 MR. VON EIFF: Why don't we be put on
15 the docket so we can bring that in and show
16 you --

17 MEMBER BORRELLI: Can I just ask you
18 how much this cost for this steeple?

19 MR. VON EIFF: The steeple is around
20 \$12-\$13,000.00 and it's very nice.

21 MEMBER BORRELLI: To build ome to
22 actually house that bell, how much are we
23 talking about?

24 MR. VON EIFF: You are not even in the
25 same -- the problem is, that we have to

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1 look at both parts. One if longevity and
2 longevity you are going to get our of
3 fiberglass. The other is weight. If you
4 are going to build that out of wood, the
5 weight just would be tremendous. So that's
6 a huge concern.

7 MEMBER BORRELLI: Right.

8 MR. VON EIFF: I don't know if any of
9 you have been inside the church but it's
10 absolutely beautiful. It's beautiful. So
11 we don't want any more damage. Actually, I
12 wish you didn't have the old pictures of
13 the steeple because if I showed you the new
14 steeple, there wouldn't be any reference to
15 it where you feel would be missing
16 something.

17 MR. LOMATHE: You know, we're still
18 dealing with fallen plaster.

19 MR. VON EIFF: We are still fixing
20 plaster because of the damage.

21 MR. LOMATHE: Years of damage. For
22 the longest time we couldn't even see.

23 MEMBER BORRELLI: I understand.

24 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: So since the
25 bell -- that big weight is not going to be

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1 incorporated into the steeple?

2 MR. LOMATHE: Right.

3 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: So since were in
4 agreement, we will do a little bit more
5 research and welcome you back at our next
6 months meeting.

7 MR. VON EIFF: We will show you a
8 picture of this steeple or something a
9 little wider placed on the building, so you
10 can see a visual.

11 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: I will make a
12 motion to table the application for today
13 and looking forward to welcoming you back
14 with more ideas as we discussed today, in
15 January.

16 MR. VON EIFF: Whatever we come up
17 with in January, I would like to be able to
18 approve it with you because it takes a long
19 time to fabricate these things. So you are
20 looking -- the longer we wait, May, June
21 and July.

22 MR. ABATELLI: If you could get it
23 sooner, then we can get it to the Board.

24 MR. VON EIFF: Okay. Let me see what

25 I can do. I will send the pictures to them

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1 and see if they can place it on the church.

2 If they can't, I will.

3 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: All right.

4 That's fine. We would need to see a new
5 proposed.

6 MR. VON EIFF: You can see the effort
7 that we did with the three tiers in trying
8 to match that. It's not that we ignored
9 that.

10 MEMBER CLARK: Duly noted.

11 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: So I made that
12 motion.

13 MEMBER CLARK: I second the motion to
14 table this to January 6th.

15 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: All in favor?

16 MEMBER BORRELLI: Aye.

17 MEMBER CLARK: Aye.

18 MEMBER MCMAHON: Aye.

19 CHAIRMAN UELLEND AHL: Aye.

20 Well, we all of course agree that we

21 would love to see the same thing exact
22 constricted but they don't have the money.
23 I was very close to proposing what --
24 personally, I cannot agree to accept
25 something that is what they were thinking

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1 today. Then I will -- I cannot say Aye to
2 this proposal. If we have Caroline back --
3 Caroline, just for the minutes also, she
4 sent me an e-mail that she was not going to
5 be here tonight but that but that she was
6 at the meeting in 2010. She was very
7 opposed to what they're proposing. So we
8 need to do better on this. We will see
9 what the options are. I have no problem of
10 not having the steeple at all or doing
11 something else.

12 MEMBER BORRELLI: Yes. Big cross?

13 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: I like that idea
14 better than accepting to compromise.

15 All right. Just also for the minutes,

16 Item No. 1, the 499 Main Street
17 application, there was no one here to
18 explain what they wanted to do with this
19 property. I mean, I looked at this
20 property. It's a beautiful old structure.
21 I was looking forward to this presentation.
22 I think the owner is trying to construct
23 some of those old gingerbread style
24 details. So we're looking forward to that
25 next month as well.

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1 Okay. Moving onto Item No. 4, motion
2 to approve the minutes of the October 7,
3 2013 meeting.

4 MEMBER CLARK: I just have one
5 comment. Collin Ratsey. You correctly put
6 his name down as Collin Ratsey when he
7 stated his name, but when you reference him
8 after that fact, it's spelled R-A-T-S-E-N.
9 And it should be R-A-T-S-E-Y. Thank you.

10 CHAIRMAN UELLEDAHL: So with that
11 correction, I will make a motion to approve

12 the October 7th meeting.

13 MEMBER CLARK: I second.

14 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: All in favor?

15 MEMBER BORRELLI: Aye.

16 MEMBER CLARK: Aye.

17 MEMBER MCMAHON: Aye.

18 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Aye.

19 And Item No. 5, motion to accept the
20 minutes of the November 4th, last month's
21 meeting. I read because it was short. It
22 was only one item on the agenda. You know,
23 one thing didn't make sense. This was on
24 Page 5, Line 12, you said, Denise's
25 workshop. There is no Denise and just got

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1 garage as gobbled up. It should really
2 just say the owner would like to use the
3 back portion of the workshop. So with that
4 correction, I make a motion to accept the
5 minutes of November 4th.

6 MEMBER CLARK: Second.

7 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: All in favor?

8 MEMBER BORRELLI: Aye.

9 MEMBER CLARK: Aye.

10 MEMBER MCMAHON: Aye.

11 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Aye.

12 Motion to schedule the next HPC
13 meeting for January 6th. It's the first
14 Monday. Is there a possibility that someone
15 will be away?

16 MEMBER BORRELLI: I will be here.

17 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: I will make a
18 motion to schedule the meeting for January
19 6th.

20 MEMBER CLARK: Second.

21 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: All in favor?

22 MEMBER BORRELLI: Aye.

23 MEMBER CLARK: Aye.

24 MEMBER MCMAHON: Aye.

25 CHAIRMAN UELLENDahl: Aye.

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1 Then I will make a motion to adjourn.

2 It's 6:05.

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4 I, Jessica DiLallo, a Notary Public for and
5 within the State of New York, do hereby certify:

6 THAT, the witness(es) whose testimony is
7 herein before set forth, was duly sworn by me, and

8 THAT the within transcript is a true record of
9 the testimony given by said witness(es).

10 I further certify that I am not related either
11 by blood or marriage to any of the parties to
12 this action; and that I am in no way interested
13 in the outcome of this matter.

14 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my
15 hand this day, December 16, 2013.

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