EXPEDITED MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Address: 5701 Achille Lane, Rockville Meeting Date: 3/2/2022

Resource: Master Plan Site #22/25 **Report Date:** 2/23/2022

James H. Cashell Farm

Public Notice: 2/16/2022

Michael Kyne

Applicant: Robert Bertrand

Tax Credit: No

Staff:

Review: HAWP

Permit Number: 982366

PROPOSAL: Construction of a new shed

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve
Approve with conditions

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

SIGNIFICANCE: Master Plan Site #22/25, James H. Cashell Farm

DATE: 2016 House within Historic Environmental Setting (Mid 1800s; Late 1800s-Early

1900s)

Excerpt from *Places from the Past:*

"... [T]he Cashell House was built in two distinct sections. The original section, at right, is typical of the mid1800s with its traditional sidegable symmetrical form and 6/6 sash windows. The picturesque east and north addition (left and rear) bears hallmarks of the Victorian era with its three-story tower with stickwork panels, jerkin-head (clipped) gable, and paired cornice brackets. The original block was likely updated when the addition was built, with cornice brackets and first-level 2/2 sash windows. The Cashell family owned this property for much of the 1800s. In 1865, the property belonged to Hazel B. Cashell, County Commissioner and Orphan's Court judge, and James Cashell was living here by 1878. The farmstead includes a one-level hay barn with hanging gable, another substantial barn with two cupolas, and a stone house from the mid-1900s."

The Cashell House was destroyed by fire in November 2010, but the stone tenant house and one historic barn remain.



Fig. 1: Subject property, with the 2016 house circled in blue, the historic outbuildings circled in yellow, and the approximate proposed shed location marked by the red X.

PROPOSAL:

This applicant proposes to construct a new 10' x 16' painted wooden shed with fiberglass shingle roofing and cupola at the rear of the 2016 house. The proposed shed will be constructed off-site prior to delivery and installation. This shed will be partially visible from the public right of way and, therefore, does not qualify for a staff level approval of the HAWP.

APPLICABLE GUIDELINES:

- IV. The Expedited Staff Report format may be used on the following type of cases:
 - 2. Modifications to a property, which do not significantly alter its visual character.
 - 14. Construction or replacement of storage and small accessory buildings that are not readily visible from a public right-of-way.

Montgomery County Code; Chapter 24A-8

- (b) The commission shall instruct the director to issue a permit, or issue a permit subject to such conditions as are found to be necessary to ensure conformity with the purposes and requirements of this chapter, if it finds that:
 - (1) The proposal will not substantially alter the exterior features of an historic site or historic resource within an historic district; or
 - (2) The proposal is compatible in character and nature with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural features of the historic site or the historic district in which an

- historic resource is located and would not be detrimental thereto or to the achievement of the purposes of this chapter; or
- (3) The proposal would enhance or aid in the protection, preservation and public or private utilization of the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district in a manner compatible with the historical, archeological, architectural or cultural value of the historic site or historic district in which an historic resource is located; or
- (4) The proposal is necessary in order that unsafe conditions or health hazards be remedied; or
- (5) The proposal is necessary in order that the owner of the subject property not be deprived of reasonable use of the property or suffer undue hardship; or
- (6) In balancing the interests of the public in preserving the historic site or historic resource located within an historic district, with the interests of the public from the use and benefit of the alternative proposal, the general public welfare is better served by granting the permit.
- (c) It is not the intent of this chapter to limit new construction, alteration or repairs to any 1 period or architectural style.

Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation

The Secretary of the Interior defines rehabilitation as "the act or process of making possible a compatible use for a property through repair, alterations, and additions while preserving those portions or features, which convey its historical, cultural, or architectural values." The *Standards* are as follows:

- 2. The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.
- 9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.
- 10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction shall be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Commission <u>approve</u> the HAWP application under the Criteria for Issuance in Chapter 24A-8(b), (1) & (2), having found that the proposal, as modified by the condition, will not substantially alter the exterior features of the historic resource and is compatible in character with the purposes of Chapter 24A;

and with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation #2, #9, and #10;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall present an electronic set of drawings, if applicable, to Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) staff for review and stamping prior to submission for the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) building permits;

and with the general condition that final project design details, not specifically delineated by the Commission, shall be approved by HPC staff or brought back to the Commission as a revised HAWP application at staff's discretion;

and with the general condition that the applicant shall notify the Historic Preservation Staff if they propose to make any alterations to the approved plans. Once the work is completed the applicant will contact the staff person assigned to this application at 301-563-3400 or michael.kyne@montgomeryplanning.org to schedule a follow-up site visit.



DATE ASSIGNED____ **APPLICATION FOR** HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION 301.563.3400

FOR STAFF ONLY:

HAWP#_

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Name: Robert Bertrand	E-mail: robbertrand@outlook.com
Address: 5701 Achille Lane	city: Rockville Zip: 20855
Daytime Phone: cell 732-763-7031	Tax Account No.: 03685495
AGENT/CONTACT (if applicable):	
Name:	E-mail:
Address:	City: Zip:
Daytime Phone:	Contractor Registration No.:
LOCATION OF BUILDING/PREMISE: MIHP # of	Historic Property 22/025-000A
Is the Property Located within an Historic District	:?Yes/District Name
Is there an Historic Preservation/Land Trust/Env map of the easement, and documentation from	No/Individual Site Name_James H. Cashell Farm_ironmental Easement on the Property? If YES, include a the Easement Holder supporting this application.
Are other Planning and/or Hearing Examiner App (Conditional Use, Variance, Record Plat, etc.?) If ` supplemental information.	orovals / Reviews Required as part of this Application? YES, include information on these reviews as
	Achille Lane
Town/City: Rockville Neare	st Cross Street: Heartwood Drive
Lot: D Subdiv	
	t on Page 4 to verify that all supporting items
for proposed work are submitted with this a	
be accepted for review. Check all that apply: ☐ New Construction ☐ Deck/Porcl	
Addition	Tree removal/planting
	/Landscape Window/Door
Grading/Excavation Roof	Other:
	e the foregoing application, that the application is correc
	ply with plans reviewed and approved by all necessary
Robert Bertrand	his to be a condition for the issuance of this permit.

Description of Property: Please describe the building and surrounding environment. Include information on significant structures, landscape features, or other significant features of the property:

This application covers the addition of an accessory shed behind the main residence on the remains of the James H. Cashell Farm. This 5-acre parcel was preserved as part of the County MPHP in the creation of subdivision, The Preserve at Rock Creek (former Bowie Mill Estates). Today, the parcel is a mixture of open space (where the original Cashell farmhouse once stood, and is now a mowed lawn), wooded area, and preserved trees. A number of significant trees ring the property, and a new home erected in 2016 sits in the SE corner of the property, where the homeowner (applicant) resides. A contributing wood frame barn was relocated to this parcel, adjacent to the stone building, by order of MCPB Plan 120060320, which reduced the historic setting of the Cashell farm to the 5.01 acres it is today, and required the relocation of the contributing barn. Today, the property contains these three structures spread out across primarily open land: the non-contributing 1940s-era stone building/tenant house; the relocated contributing barn; and the 2016 owner residence. The proposed shed will be located closest to the 2016 owner residence, beneath the Gingko trees, to the rear of the original Cashell farmhouse. This is the same location where utility buildings were originally located on the farm.

Description of Work Proposed: Please give an overview of the work to be undertaken:

This application proposes the installation of a pre-built 10'x16' wood shed accessory structure. The shed will be built off-site and delivered in one piece to the Property. The shed will be painted grey with white trim to match the primary residence, as well as utilize "weatherwood" colored shingles to match the primary residence. It will also feature a cupola to echo the cupolas on the barn.

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Work Item 1: Shed Insta	llation		
Description of Current Condition	Proposed location is brush overgrowth and formerly housed accessory structures (sheds, storage buildings) prior to creation of subdivision.		Locate new accessory shed amid the mature bushes and trees that surrounded the former accessory structures on the property. Site to be cleared of brush in advance of installation. Mature trees and bushes (boxwoods) to be preserved.
Work Item 2:			
Description of Current Condition	it.	Proposed Work:	
Work Item 3:			
Description of Current Condition	1.5	Proposed Work:	

HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT CHECKLIST OF APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

	Required Attachments						
Proposed Work	I. Written Description	2. Site Plan	3. Plans/ Elevations	4. Material Specifications	5. Photographs	6. Tree Survey	7. Property Owner Addresses
New Construction	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Additions/ Alterations	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Demolition	*	*	ης		*		*
Deck/Porch	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Fence/Wall	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Driveway/ Parking Area	*	*		*	*	*	*
Grading/Exc avation/Land scaing	*	*		*	*	*	*
Tree Removal	*	*		*	*	*	*
Siding/Roof Changes	*	*	*	*	*		*
Window/ Door Changes	*	*	*	*	*		*
Masonry Repair/ Repoint	*	*	*	*	*		*
Signs	*	*	*	*	*		*

Rockville, MD 20855

5 Heartwood Terrace
7 Heartwood Terrace
8 Heartwood Terrace
5607 Achille Lane
5608 Achille Lane
5610 Achille Lane
5705 Achille Lane
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5709 Achille Lane

16601 Heartwood Drive

Adjacent and Confronting Properties:



DEPARTMENT OF PERMITTING SERVICES

Marc Elrich
County Executive

Mitra Pedoeem Director

HISTORIC AREA WORK PERMIT APPLICATION

Application Date: 2/3/2022

Application No: 982366 AP Type: HISTORIC Customer No: 1426768

Comments

Shed falls within the historic viewshed, however, it is located to the rear of the original farmhouse location as required by Preliminary Plan Limited Amendment 12006032A (Preserve at Rock Creek), which amended MCPB Resolution No. 07-62

Affidavit Acknowledgement

The Homeowner is the Primary applicant
This application does not violate any covenants and deed restrictions

Primary Applicant Information

Location 5701 5701 ACHILLE LN LN 5701 ACHILLE LN DERWOOD, MD 20855

Homeowner Bertrand (Primary)

Historic Area Work Permit Details

Work Type ADD

Scope of Work Add 10x16 free-standing shed within the historic lot, adjacent to the main residence.

Historic Area Work Permit Application #982366

5701 Achille Lane, Derwood, Maryland 20855 Supporting Photographs February 7, 2022

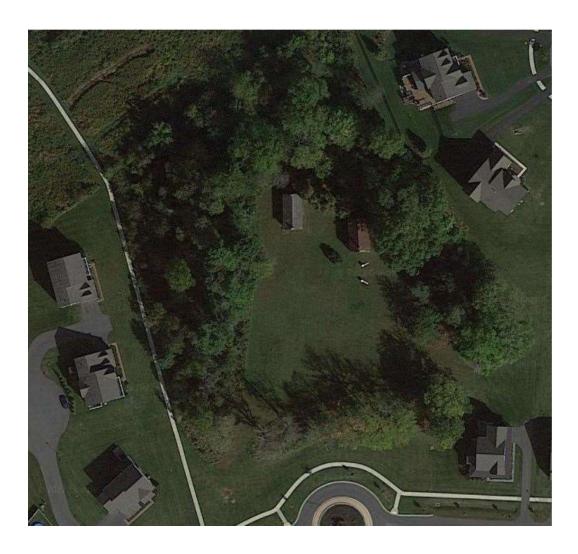


Figure 1.Overhead view of 5701
Achille Lane 5-acre
historic property

Main residence is in the southeast corner. Tree cluster where shed is proposed is just north of the residence.

Historic structures are northwest of proposed location.

Original location of Cashell farmhouse is in the clearing at the center of the photograph.

Muncaster Mill Road is southwest of the photograph.



Figure 2.Closeup of proposed shed location.

Main residence is in the southeast corner. Tree cluster where shed is proposed is north of the residence.

Red box identifies proposed shed location.



Figure 3.

View of tree cluster for proposed shed location, as seen from main residence.

Proposed shed location is between the boxwood shrubs to the left of the Gingko Trees.



Figure 4.

Closeup of proposed shed location.

Shed is proposed to sit between the Boxwood shrubs beneath the Gingko trees, in place of the brush that is presently at the center of this photograph.



Figure 5.
View from Muncaster
Mill Road, looking into
viewshed.

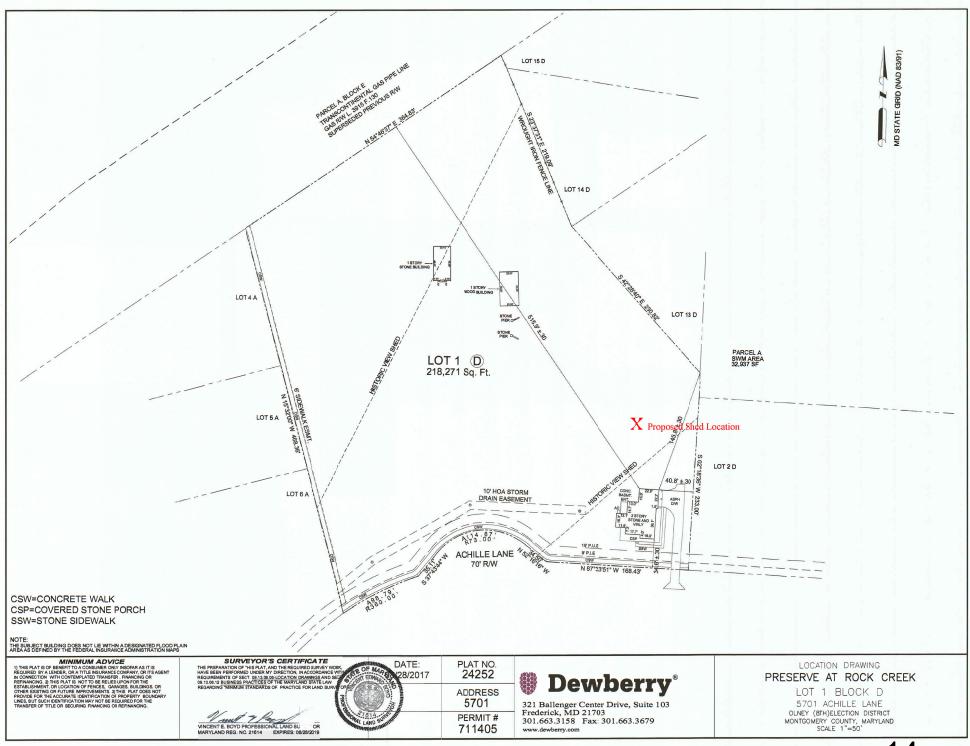
Proposed shed location is beyond the ring of border trees, to the east of the opening where the historic structures are visible.

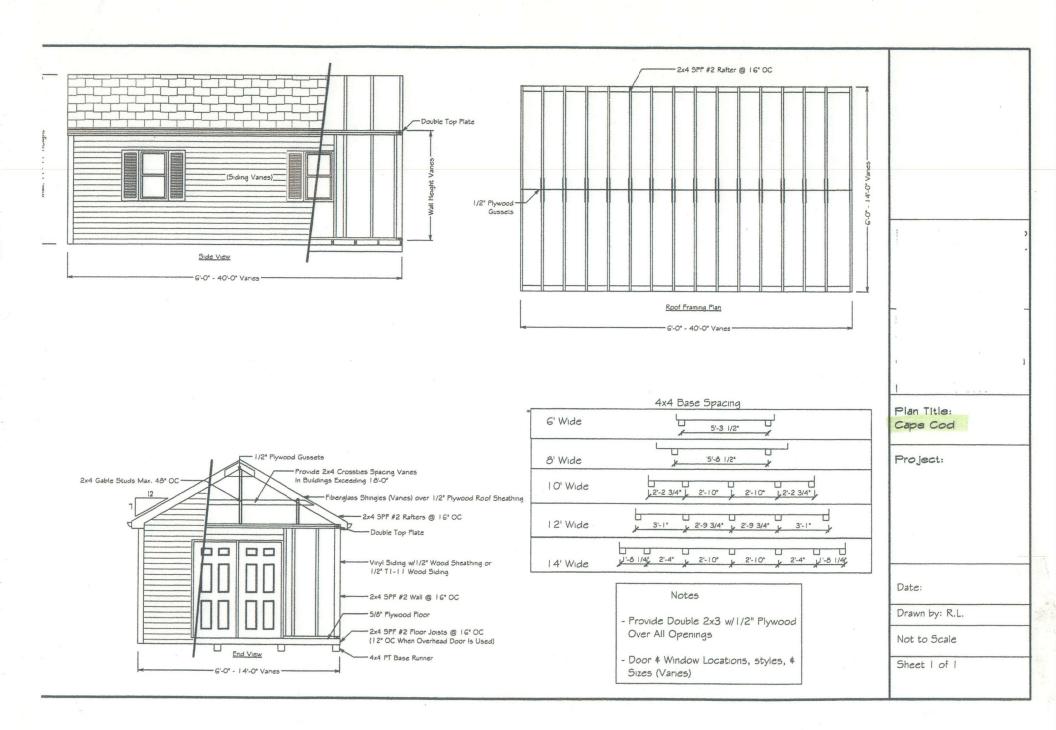


Figure 6.

View through the border trees looking toward the proposed shed location

Proposed shed location is nestled within the trees seen in the distance of this photograph.







ESTIMATE STANDARD PURCHASE

DATE:

February 04, 2022

ORDER #:

High Point Buildings

P.O. Box 388 Glen Burnie, MD 21061 (888) 697-6660 www.highpointbuildings.com

Buyer:

Rob Bertrand

Derwood, MD 20855 (202) 827-4371 (M) robbertrand@outlook.com

BOS:

No

Site Visit:

No

Expedite:

No

Notes:

Description		Quantity	Price
Gable 10x16		1	\$4,552.00
Painted Shed Exterior		1	\$227.60
Sidewall Height - 6'4"to 6' 10"		1	\$341.40
Ramp - 4x4		1	\$96.00
Window - 60" x 16" Jalousie		2	\$300.00
Floor - 3/4" (Non-PT)		160	\$288.00
Joists - Pressure Treated		160	\$72.00
Loft		30	\$150.00
Shelf		10	\$50.00
Vent - Gable Vent (Wood shed)	2	\$40.00
Cupola		1	\$175.00
	Subtotal		\$6,292.00
	Sales Tax @	6.0%	\$377.52
	Delivery Miles/Fee	27	\$36.00
	BOS Miles/Fee	0	\$0.00
	Block and Level Fee B / L Materials		\$180.00
			\$0.00
	Expedite Fee		\$0.00
	Total		\$6,885.52
	Received		\$0.00
	Balance Due		\$6,885.52

ALL SALES FINAL. CANCELLATION AT ANY TIME W	TILL RESULT IN FORFETT OF DEPOSIT.
Customer Signature	Date

Historic Area Work Permit Application #982366

5701 Achille Lane, Derwood, Maryland 20855 Elevations of New Shed February 7, 2022



Front & Right Side Elevation

Incorporates style elements form main house (siding color, roof, trim) and barn (door framing, hinges)



Cupola

Shed will include a cupola with black roof and <u>no</u> weathervane, centered on the roof ridge.



Front & Left Side Elevation



Rear & Right Side Elevation, Showing Roof

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5701 Achille Lane, Derwood, Maryland 20855 Supporting Tree Survey and Historic Photographs February 7, 2022



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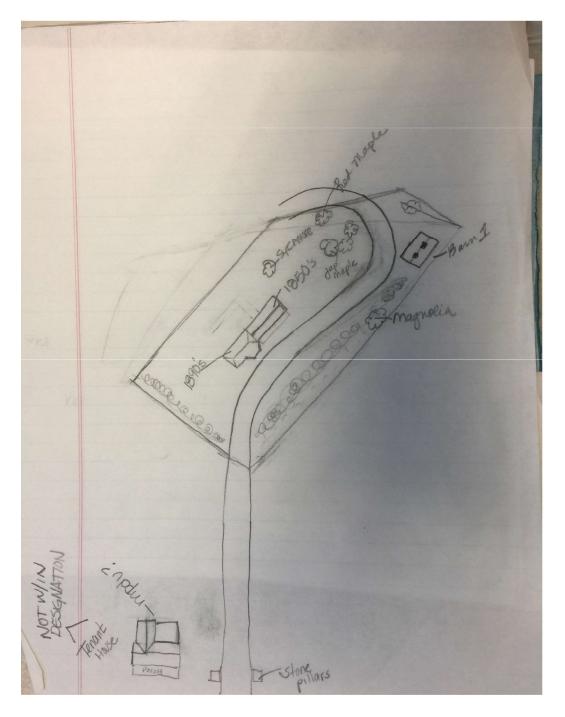


Figure 3.Sketch circa 1996.

Sketch of Cashell Farmstead, showing former location of 1890s/1850s farm house and original driveway from Muncaster Mill Road.

The Japanese Maple noted on the sketch is immediately west of the proposed location of the new shed.

"Barn 1" was located approximately in the present location of the current owner residence.

The existing line of trees on the southern border of the property is indicated to the south-east of the driveway in this sketch, including the Magnolia tree.

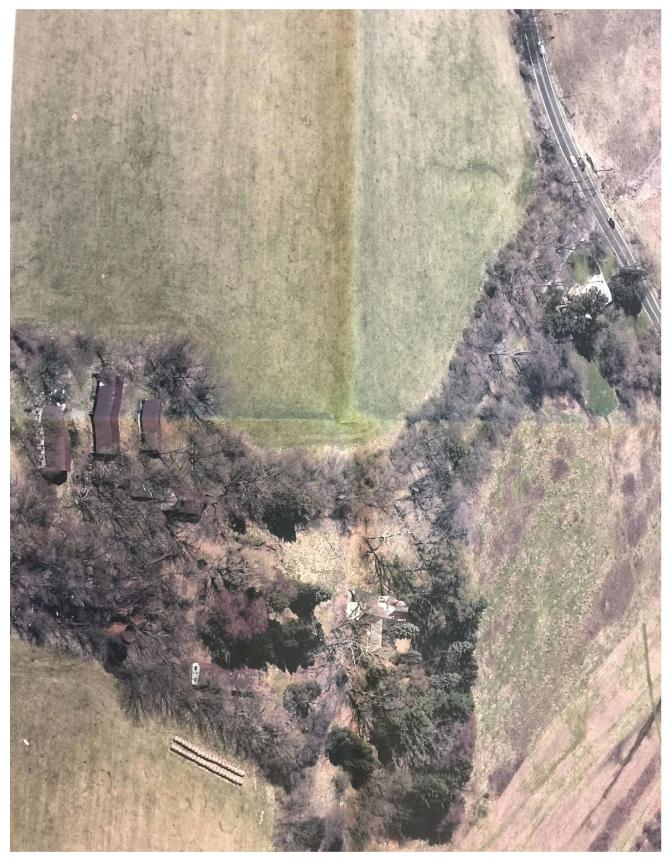


Figure 4.Arial Shot of Cashell Farm, Circa 1996.

Muncaster Mill Road is to the North in this photograph.

There are remnants of tile silos in the south-west quadrant of the photo (just north of the field). The proposed shed location is adjacent to where these silos stood.

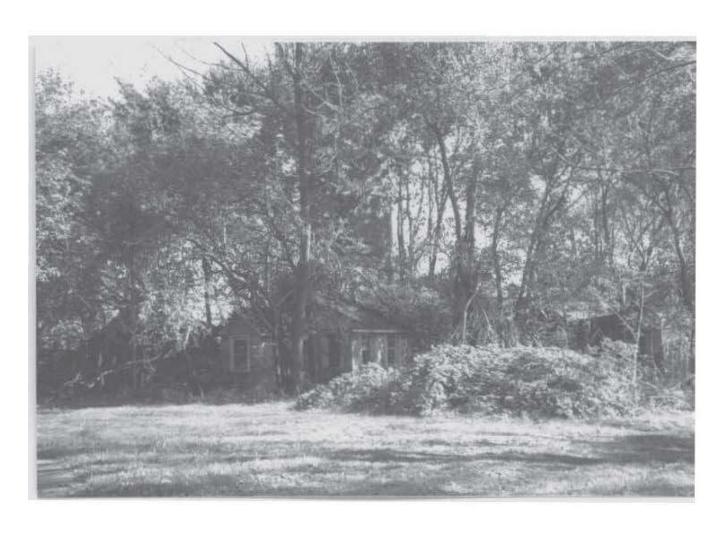


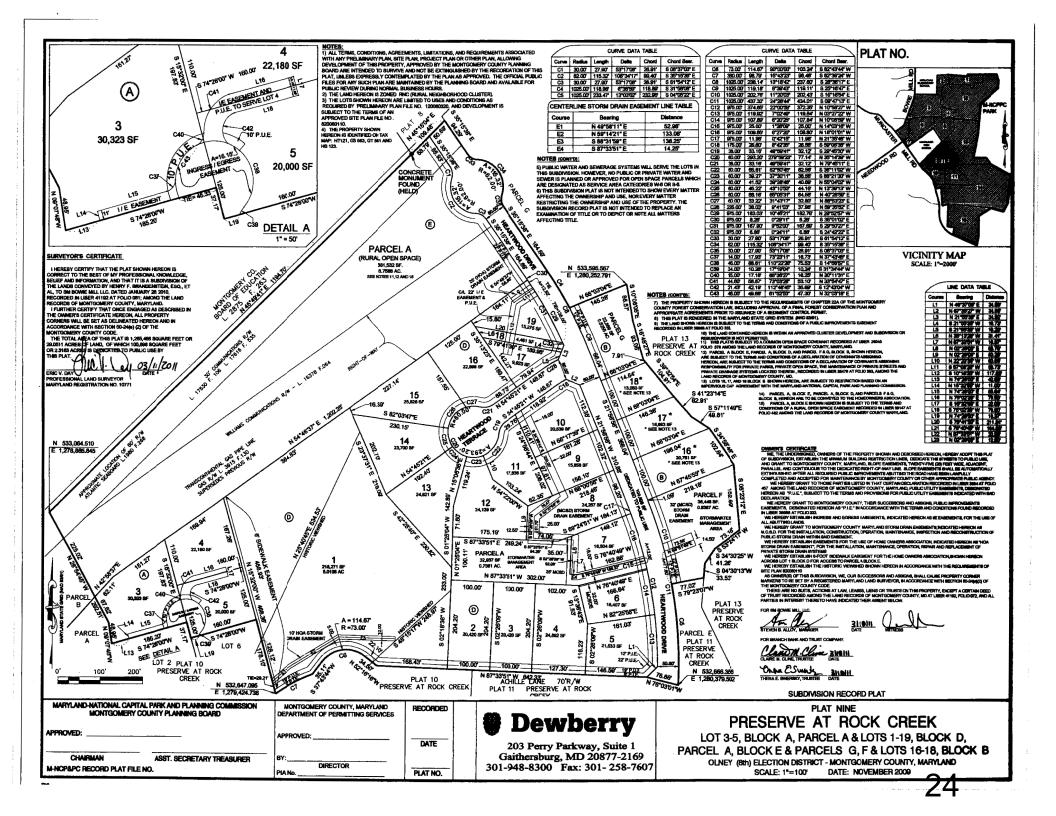
Figure 5.Excerpt from 1996
National Register
Application

Collapsed building under trees is in the vicinity of the proposed shed location.



Figure 6.
Present Day View
through the border
trees looking toward
the proposed shed
location

Proposed shed location is nestled within the trees seen in the distance of this photograph, which is in the vicinity of where the collapsed sheds and silos were located on the original farm.

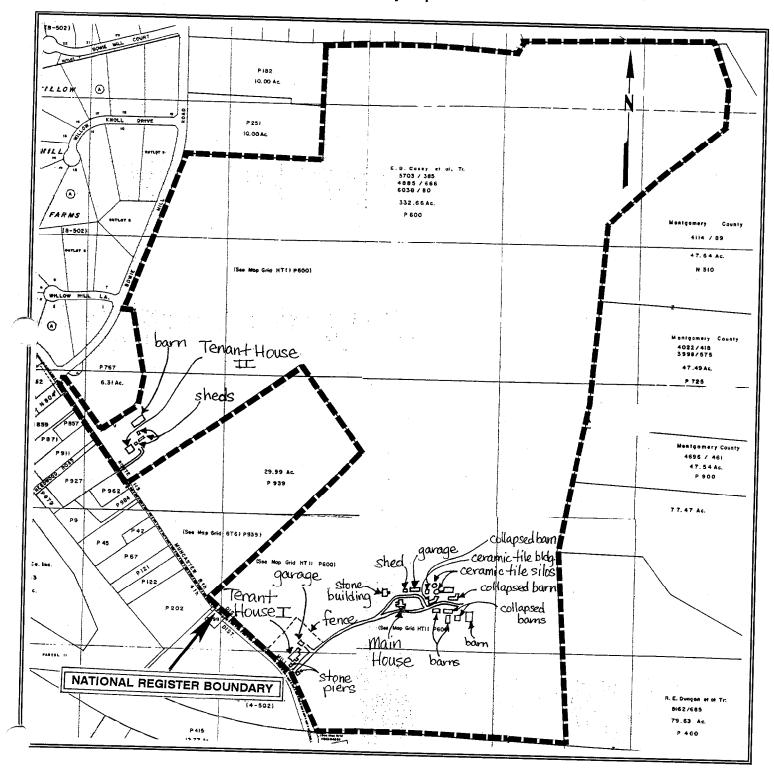


Property Name: Cashell Farm

Survey No: M:22-25 (PACS A6.32, A6.33, A7.22)

Property Address <u>5861, 5867, 6001 Muncaster Mill Road, Derwood, Montgomery County</u>
Owner Name/Address <u>Eugene B. Casey Trust, 5867 Muncaster Mill Road, Derwood, Maryland</u>
Year Built <u>circa</u> <u>1860</u>

Resource Sketch Map and National Register Boundary Map:



Preparer: P.A.C. Spero & Company October 1996

MCPB Item No.

Date: 9/20/2012

Preliminary Plan Limited Amendment 12006032A: Preserve at Rock Creek

BCB

Benjamin Berbert, Senior Planner Area 3, Benjamin.Berbert@montgomeryplanning.org

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Rich Weaver, Acting Supervisor Area 3, Richard.Weaver@montgomeryplanning.org

John Carter, Chief Area 3, John.Carter@montgomeryplanning.org

Completed: 9/07/2012

Description

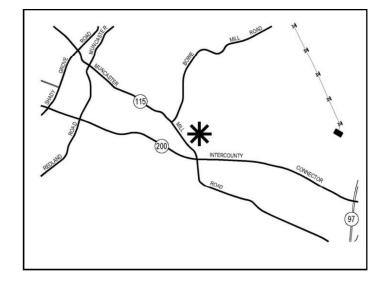
Preliminary Plan Limited Amendment 12006032A: Preserve at Rock Creek

Request to modify the conditions of the previously approved Preliminary Plan (MCPB Res. 07-62) related to the historic site, located on the east side of Muncaster Mill Road (MD 115) and Bowie Mill Road, on the north side of the Inter-County Connector and opposite the intersection with Needwood Road, approximately 468.59 acres, RNC Zone, Upper Rock Creek Master Plan.

Staff Recommendation: Approval with conditions

Review Basis: Chapter 50
Submittal Date: 06/11/2012

Applicant: SM Bowie Mill, LLC ("Applicant")



Summary

This application is a request to modify conditions of the original preliminary plan approval that pertained to a historic site.

- The property contains a historic site and setting, however; the most significant feature of the site, the J.H. Cashell farmhouse, has burned down.
- Modification of condition 29 to acknowledge that the historic farm house that the viewshed was originally designed around no longer exists.
- Modification of condition 30 to establish new building permit conditions requiring the relocation and stabilization of the remaining historic barn and stone tenant house prior to the release of 117th building permit.
- Removal of condition 33 requiring certain renovations to the historic house.

The modification of these conditions has no additional effect on the original plan approval or the remaining conditions of approval

RECOMMENDATION

Approval of the amendment request, subject to the following modifications to the existing conditions:

- The Applicant must maintain the viewshed as shown on the approved preliminary plan and on plats numbered 24252 and 24253. A viewshed to the Historic Setting, as identified on the Preliminary Plan, will be preserved and will be identified on the record plat as a protected area. No building will be allowed on the land located within the identified viewshed. Any new plantings, tree removal, or fences within the viewshed will require approval by M-NCPPC Historic Preservation Section staff. The historic viewshed contemplated herein shall be limited to the portion of the proposed subdivision that is forward of the former Cashell Farm house (i.e. between Muncaster Mill Road and the former Historic House).
- Prior to the issuance of the 117th building permit, the Applicant will have obtained Historic Area Work Permits from the Historic Preservation Commission and completed the relocation and stabilization of the historic barn and restoration of the stone tenant house within the Historic Setting as identified on the Preliminary Plan.
- 33) The Applicant will have substantially completed the rehabilitation of the historic house on the site by the time of the 60th occupancy permit is issued for the overall project.

All Planning Board findings and all other conditions, not modified herein, contained in MCPB Resolution No. 07-62 remain valid.

SITE DESCRIPTION

The Preserve at Rock Creek (formerly known as Bowie Mill Estates) is a 468.59 acre property located generally on the east side of Muncaster Mill Road (MD 115) and Bowie Mill Road, opposite the intersection with Needwood Road ("Property" or "Subject Property"). The Property is in the Rural Neighborhood Cluster ("RNC") zone as recommended by the 2004 Upper Rock Creek Area Master Plan. The Subject Property is outlined in red on figure 1. The Magruder High School and Sequoyah Elementary School properties are partially surrounded by the Subject Property. The approved Bowie Mill Estates preliminary plan created 186 lots and dedicated approximately 260 acres to the Maryland-National Park and Planning Commission ("M-NCPPC") for park land. The lot shown in bright blue in the figure below is Lot 1 in the previously approved preliminary plan. Lot 1 was referenced in the documentation from the original approval as the environmental setting for the historic site ("Historic Setting"). The Subject Property is located in the Upper Rock Creek watershed and a Special Protection Area.

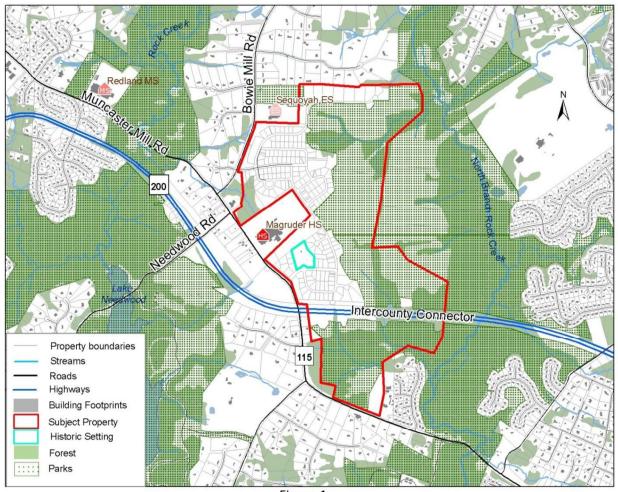


Figure 1

The surrounding land uses are one-family detached housing, and the public elementary and high schools abutting the Property along Bowie Mill Road and Muncaster Mill Road. To the east, the land is mostly M-NCPPC owned parkland and stream valley buffer. The surrounding zoning is mostly in the RE-1 Zone with smaller areas in the RE-2 Zone west of Bowie Mill Road, and also to the east within the North Branch Stream Valley Park.

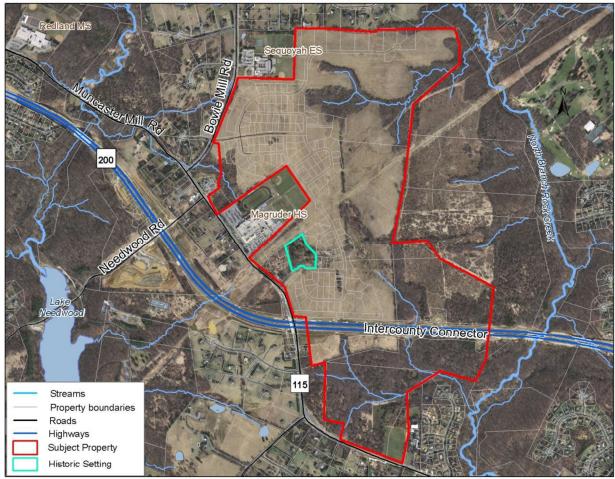


Figure 2

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project History

The preliminary plan No. 120060320 Bowie Mill Estates was approved on November 21, 2007 for 186 lots (158 market rate and 28 MPDU's), and approximately 260 acres of land dedicated to the M-NCPPC. The Site Plan No. 820060110, Preserve at Rock Creek, for the same Property, was approved on November 13, 2009 for 186 lots (158 market and 28 MPDU's).

ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS

Modification of conditions

The Applicant has requested the modification of two conditions from the approved Preliminary Plan 120060230, Resolution 07-62 (Attachment A) (conditions 29 and 30) and the deletion of condition 33. When the original preliminary plan was approved, there was consideration given to the existing historic resources on the Property, including the J.H. Cashell Farm House, a barn and a stone accessory structure. A 5.01 acre lot was created to serve as the Historic Setting for the structures as recommended by the Historic Preservation Commission for the three structures and conditions were included in the plan approval regarding the creation and preservation of a viewshed (condition 29), the relocation of the nearby historic barn onto the Historic Setting (condition 30), the rehabilitation of the historic house, and the stone accessory structure (condition 33). The work to be done on the historic

house was tied to a certain number of building permits for the project. The historic house was destroyed by arson in November of 2010, necessitating an amendment to the existing preliminary plan. The Applicant is currently working with the Historic Preservation Commission on the design and location of a new dwelling unit to eventually be built within the historic setting in place of the former historic house.

The Applicant has requested that Condition 29 in the existing preliminary plan be modified. Condition 29 currently reads:

"A viewshed to the historic site, as identified on the Preliminary Plan, will be preserved and will be identified on the record plat as a protected area. No building will be allowed on the land located within the identified viewshed. Any new plantings, tree removal, or fences within the viewshed will require approval by M-NCPPC Historic Preservation Section staff. The historic viewshed contemplated herein shall be limited to the portion of the proposed subdivision that is forward of the house (i.e. between Muncaster Mill Road and the Historic House)."

Initial consideration was given to removing condition 29 in its entirety to allow the construction of a new dwelling within the Historic Setting. Although the historic house is no longer in existence, the 5 acre Historic Setting is a prominent feature when looking into the Subject Property from Muncaster Mill Road, and there are remaining historic features in the setting that will be preserved. The 2004 Upper Rock Creek Area Master Plan also encourages the protection of the rural viewsheds onto this Property. The Applicant and staff have determined a new dwelling can be located within the Historic Setting and avoid the area currently protected by the viewshed. For these reasons, condition 29 should be modified rather than completely remove it. Because the viewshed is already established on Plats No. 24252 and No. 24253 (Attachment C), the condition needs to be modified acknowledging the existing viewshed. The proposed language for condition 29 follows:

The Applicant must maintain the viewshed as shown on the approved preliminary plan and on plats numbered No. 24252 and No. 24253. A viewshed to the Historic Setting, as identified on the Preliminary Plan, will be preserved and will be identified on the record plat as a protected area. No building will be allowed on the land located within the identified viewshed. Any new plantings, tree removal, or fences within the viewshed will require approval by M-NCPPC Historic Preservation Section staff. The historic viewshed contemplated herein shall be limited to the portion of the proposed subdivision that is forward of the former Cashell Farm house (i.e. between Muncaster Mill Road and the former Historic House).

The Applicant has also requested that modification be made to Condition 30 on the existing Preliminary Plan that provides clear guidance for the timing of the required improvements to the historic barn and tenant house. Condition 30 currently reads:

"The Applicant will relocate one historic barn (identified on the Preliminary Plan) onto Lot 1. The owner will obtain a Historic Area Work Permit from the Historic Preservation Commission for relocation of the structure."

The Applicant proposes a new condition 30 that adds timing conditions for the relocation of the historic barn and the restoration of the stone tenant house to the 117th building permit. This permit number represents the end of phase 1b in the phasing schedule, and is 63% of the total 186 lots in the

Preliminary Plan. Under the existing approval, building permit conditions had only applied to rehabilitation of the former historic house. Now that the historic house is gone, Staff agrees that building permit conditions are necessary to bind the Applicant to a point in time when the relocation of the barn and preservation of the tenant house must be completed. Staff has recommended additional minor changes to the Applicant's language for new condition 30 to include the stabilization of the historic barn, and to clarify that a Historic Preservation Commission work permit would be required for both the historic barn and the stone tenant house. The recommended language for condition 30 follows:

The Applicant will relocate one historic barn (identified on the Preliminary Plan) onto Lot 1. The owner will obtain a Historic Area Work Permit from the Historic Preservation Commission for relocation of the structure. Prior to the issuance of the 117th building permit, the Applicant will have obtained Historic Area Work Permits from the Historic Preservation Commission and completed the relocation and stabilization of the historic barn and restoration of the stone tenant house within the Historic Setting as identified on the Preliminary Plan.

The Applicant has also requested that Condition 33 in the existing preliminary plan approval be removed in its entirety. Condition 33 currently reads:

"The Applicant will have substantially completed the rehabilitation of the historic house on the site by the time of the 60th occupancy permit is issued for the overall project."

Staff agrees that this condition should be removed. The historic house is no longer on the site, and other conditions will be modified to ensure the timing and preservation of the other historic elements on Lot 1.

Conformance to the Master Plan

The 2004 Upper Rock Creek Area Master Plan ("Master Plan") specifically mentioned the Subject Property as the Casey and Dungan Properties and makes specific recommendations about the development of the Property. These recommendations are outlined in the staff report created for the original Preliminary Plan approval (Attachment B). The Master Plan recommended the protection of the historic J.H. Cashell Farm house, barn and other historic structures, along with protecting rural viewsheds. Consideration had been given to potentially removing condition 29 which requires the establishment and maintenance of a historic viewshed, because it was originally focused on the historic house. Preserving the viewshed helps implement the Master Plan's goal of protecting views and would have no impact to the Applicant's future plans to construct a new dwelling on the historic lot. The Application otherwise proposes no changes to the overall layout of the development, which was designed to conform to the Master Plan recommendations. Staff finds the Application as amended by staff continues to be in substantial conformance with the Master Plan.

Other findings

The Application proposes no changes to the previously approved plan except for the amended conditions as explained above. The modified conditions do not alter any public facility, public utility, or forest easement; nor do they alter the number or shape of any lot or right-of-way, or add vehicular trips generated by this development. Staff finds that the Preliminary Plan amendment conforms to all of the findings made during the previous plan approval.

CITIZEN CORRESPONDENCE AND ISSUES

This Application was submitted and noticed in accordance with all Planning Board adopted procedures. Five signs were posted along the Property's frontage with Bowie Mill Road and Muncaster Mill Road on April 23, 2012, and notices were sent out to surrounding property owners and interested parties regarding this Application. Staff received one phone call asking about the nature of the amendment and if the alignment of Bowie Mill Road was under consideration as part of the amendment. Staff explained that the amendment was limited to the issue of the historic structures only. Staff has received no other comments from citizens or community groups.

CONCLUSION

The Application amendments requested are minor and will have no substantial effect to the previous findings that were done for the original preliminary plan other than to modify the conditions to address the loss of one of the historic resources on site. Staff supports the requested changes to the conditions as reflected within this report.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Preliminary Plan Resolution 07-62 for preliminary plan 120060320

Attachment B – Preliminary Plan Staff Report for preliminary plan 120060320

Attachment C – Plats numbered 24252 and 24253

Attachment D – Approved preliminary plan 120060320, composite and sheet 8

[Attachments intentionally omitted from HAWP application 982366, as they are already on file with the Commission and not relevant to this application.