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Minutes of the Lake George Village Zoning Board of Appeals meeting and Public Hearing held on **MARCH 5 2008** at 7:00 P.M. at the Village Administration Building, 26 Old Post Road, Lake George, New York.

Members Present: Ron Mogren, Virginia Henry, Tim Hill, Chuck Luke, Kevin Merry

## **Members Absent**:

**Others Present:** Carol Sullivan (Secretary), Doug Frost (Code Enforcer), Craig Pixley, Dottie Moore, Patty Moore, Robert Leombruno

Chairman Mogren called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Chairman Mogren opened the Public Hearing at 7:15 PM.

TAX MAP 251.14-2-38 MOORE FUN ENTERPRISES INC. D.B.A ECONOLODGE APPLICANT/OWNER: STEWART MOORE

439 CANADA ST ZONE: COMMERCIAL RESORT

ZONE: COMMERCIAL RESORT VARIANCE APPLICATION #0803

- Applicant is applying for an area variance for a sign. Applicant is seeking relief from §220-24 B (3) (d).
- The Econolodge sign is 6 ft 3 in x 9 ft 4 inches. Total of 58.33 square feet.
- The applicant seeks relief for 24.8 square feet from the 50 square foot sign size requirement.
- Lake George Village Planning Board approved the Econolodge new sign design and color on January 16, 2008.
- Carol mentioned she spoke with Margery Morris who lives at 23 Nelson. Margery is out of the
  country, however, wanted her feelings conveyed. Margery feels the larger signs block the
  beautiful views in Lake George. She believes the new requirements were put in place for a
  reason and they should be adhered to.
- After a discussion regarding the entire size of the sign the Applicant agreed to 16.5 square foot variance and reducing the face of the sign to 50 square feet.

**MOTION**: Tim Hill made a motion to allow a 16.5 square foot variance for the entire sign, however, the face of the sign "Econolodge" must be reduced to 50 square feet.

- 1. The benefit to the applicant as weighed against the detriment to the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood or community is greater because the size of the sign does not have an adverse affect on anyone in the community.
- 2. An undesirable change will not be produced in the character of the neighborhood or will not be a detriment to nearby properties because the face of the sign will be smaller.
- 3. The benefit sought by the applicant cannot be achieved by some other method feasible for the applicant because the sign structure is existing and the applicant must work within that structure. It would be cost prohibitive to tear the entire sign structure down and rebuild a new structure.
- 4. The requested area variance is not substantial because the compromise is for less than originally sought.
- 5. The proposed variance will not have an adverse affect or impact on the physical or environmental conditions in the neighborhood or district because the sign structure is not changing.
- 6. The alleged difficulty was not self created.

**2nd:** Ron Mogren.

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Ron Mogren	Virginia Henry	Tim Hill	Chuck Luke	Kevin Merry
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

**MOTION**: Tim Hill made a motion to close the Public Hearing at 7:23 PM.

2nd: Chuck Luke.

Ron Mogren	Virginia Henry	Tim Hill	Chuck Luke	Kevin Merry
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

## **MINUTES:**

**MOTION**: Tim Hill made a motion to approve the October 3, 2007 minutes without change.

2nd: Chuck Luke

Ron Mogren	Virginia Henry	Tim Hill	Chuck Luke	Kevin Merry
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

**MOTION:** Tim Hill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45.

2nd: Ron Mogren

Ron Mogren	Virginia Henry	Tim Hill	Chuck Luke	Kevin Merry
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Sullivan March 6, 2008