

**LAKE GEORGE VILLAGE PLANNING BOARD MEETING
APRIL 16, 2025 – 5:00 PM
VILLAGE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
26 OLD POST ROAD - LAKE GEORGE, NY
MEETING MINUTES**

Board members present: Carol Sullivan (Chairperson), Patricia Dow, Kevin Merry, Walt Adams, and Dean Howland

Others present: Debonnay Meyers (Planning & Zoning Clerk), Dan Barusch (Director of Planning and Zoning), David Hutchinson, Dogay Kocak, and Yunus Yanak.

Carol Sullivan called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

Carol Sullivan informed all that the first applicant, Chill Stop, wasn't present; therefore, they will be changing the agenda order to start with SPR#1-2025.

NEW BUSINESS:

APPLICATION: SPR#1-2025

APPLICANT: MARK DOYLE

TAX MAP: 251.14-4-2

ADDRESS: 85 WEST STREET

ZONE: RESIDENTIAL

“Applicants are seeking approval to remodel their home, located at 85 West Street, to enlarge their kitchen, bathroom and sleeping areas that are located at the back of the home. The addition will also add two dormers to the front of the house. The addition will be less than 1,000 square feet, so stormwater management will be exempt from the project. The construction will start approximately September 2025 and end April 2026. The estimated cost of the project will be \$180,000.”

Carol Sullivan asked if Mark Doyle was present. David Hutchinson indicated he wasn't, but he was present to represent the project. Carol Sullivan asked if the Board had any questions. Dean Howland asked the first question inquiring about the siding on the upper addition. David Hutchinson said it would be live edge, long, shiplap siding. David Hutchinson then explained that they have logs on the West Street side, to which turn into vertical siding starting at the porch. From the porch, that vertical siding continues all the way to the back of the house. He concluded his statement by saying that due to the back being extended and the portion of the roof heightened, he believed that his choice of live edge would be best. Dean Howland asked for the actual name of the siding. David Hutchinson replied with live edge. Dean Howland said he thought it was called Adirondack siding. After deliberation, it was called live edge. The Board then asked if it would be stained, to which David Hutchinson replied with yes. The Board then asked for the color of the stain, and David Hutchinson replied with dark brown.

Walt Adams made a motion to approve the application created by Mark Doyle, tax map 251.14-4-2, at 85 West Street as presented.

2nd MOTION: Patricia Dow

Carol Sullivan	Patricia Dow	Walt Adams	Kevin Merry	Dean Howland
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

Aye = 5 Nays = 0 Absent = 0 Motion carried.

Dan Barusch pulled aside David Hutchinson to tell him what the next steps were while the Board was working on transitioning to the next application.

APPLICATION: SIGN#6-2025

APPLICANT: CHILL STOP – DOGAY KOCAK

TAX MAP: 251.18-3-40

ADDRESS: 155 CANADA STREET

ZONE: COMMERCIAL MIXED USE

“Applicants are seeking approval for one rectangular shaped wall sign for their business, Chill Stop. Applicants did appear before the Zoning Board on April 2, 2025, to obtain a variance regarding the four-color maximum. The Zoning Board approved the application as presented. The sign will be wooden and will measure 8 feet by 2.6 feet. The background of the sign will be brown, and the sign will have a ½ inch wooden vinyl-painted border. The letters will measure between 3 inches to 14 inches and will not be raised. “Chill Stop” will be teal with a yellow outline, “Bubble Tea” will be yellow with a red outline and “Rolled Ice Cream & More!” will be a yellow with red outline. The sign will be located above the front door and will be lit by two existing goosenecks. The sign will have two graphics which consist of bubble tea and a rolled ice-cream cup. The size of those graphics is between 16 inches and 24 inches.”

Carol Sullivan asked the Board if they had any questions. Kevin Merry stated he did and inquired about the colors. Carol Sullivan said the applicant obtained a variance to allow them to go over the four-color maximum. Kevin Merry then asked about the handwritten notes on the bottom of the rendering. Dan Barusch said those were his during pre-submission. Dan Barusch then added that he was making notes on all the colors in the rendering, and the ones written down on the bottom were the ones he thought should be removed if the Boards had problems with the proposed colors. The Board asked why he thought the pink and green should go. Dan Barusch said because there was a little amount of it. Kevin Merry asked if “The Chill Stop” portion was green, and Dan Barusch said he considered that teal.

Dan Barusch then informed the Board of the “Chill Stop” timeline, starting with pre-submission and ending with the Zoning Meeting. He concluded that both applicants were informed that both Boards may not accept the color choice due to what was written in the statute; but in the end, the Zoning Board allowed the variance because the pink and the green were minimal on the sign.

Kevin Merry asked Dan Barusch how many colors he thought were on the sign. Dan Barusch said 7, but he could see them interpreting the shades of brown as two separate colors. Kevin Merry said he had 9. After deliberation, the Board concluded that there were 8. Carol Sullivan asked if the background was black or brown. Dogay Kocak said it was dark brown. Debonnay Meyers said she should’ve worded the agenda to state “dark brown” than “brown”.

Patricia Dow made a motion to approve the sign as presented for Chill Stop under tax map 251.18-3-40 at 155 Canada Street. It passed through the ZBA.

2nd MOTION: Kevin Merry

Carol Sullivan	Patricia Dow	Walt Adams	Kevin Merry	Dean Howland
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Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
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Aye = 5 Nays = 0 Absent = 0 Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Carol Sullivan at 5:07 pm, seconded by Patricia Dow, and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Debonnay Meyers

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