

**LAKE GEORGE VILLAGE
26 OLD POST ROAD
JUNE 17, 2009
PLANNING BOARD MEETING – 7P.M.
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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: CHAIRMAN, ROBERT MASTRANTONI ,DAN GARAY, PATTY KIRKPATRICK, PATRICIA DOW

OTHERS PRESENT; CAROL SULLIVAN & DOUG FROST (CODE ENFORCERS) EDRIE SQUIRES – SECRETARY, FRED AUSTIN, DAN WOLFELD, JEFF ROUGEAU, ANNAN ROUGEAU, KIM ZEPPIERI, MITCH LEZI, JOE MASTRODOMENICO, DEEDEE & MIKE CRAFT,NATE FULLER, JUDY GEARWAR

PLANNING BOARD METING CONVENED AT 7 P.M.

**FORT WILLIAM HENRY - ORIGINALLY REVIEWED A 5/20/09 PLANNING BOARD MTG.
BELLA LUNA – NEW NAME/NEW SIGN – FREESTANDING SIGN ONLY**

LOCATION: CANADA ST.

TAX MAP: 251.18-3-72

ZONE: COMMERCIAL – OVERLAY

SIGN APPLICATION #0931

The sign is now a beige back ground with brown lettering and grape design in the corners. Applicant is now seeking approval to have both the sign and the reader board, facing upwards. Robert Mastrantoni questioned the type of lighting and it will be high density florescent with the proper lens covers. Robert Flacke also stated that after meeting with his staff it was decided that all back lit signs on the property will be eliminated as possible in the future .Projection sign located in the front of the restaurant facing north/south on Canada Street will not be replaced. There were no further questions.

Motion made by Patricia Dow to accept as proposed. Seconded by Patty Kirkpatrick, Robert Mastrantoni – aye, Dan Garay – aye.

GEARWAR – RESIDENCE – 50 HENDRICK ST

TAX MAP: 251.14-4-33

ZONE: RESIDENTIAL MIXED USE

APPLICANT: JUDY & CHRIS GEARWAR

SPECIAL USE APPLICATION #0934

Applicant has submitted a special use permit for a boardinghouse at the residence to house students. Property inspected by Dan Garay and it does meet the criteria for The Connection. Neighbors should have been notified and a special meeting held to be sure that there were no objections and the board agreed since this is a boarding house in the commercial mixed use area, which is not highly populated, notification could take place afterwards. Dan Garay made a motion to grant a conditional approval which was seconded by Patricia Dow, Robert Mastrantoni – aye, Patty Kirkpatrick – aye.

WOFIELD – RESIDENCE – 2 JOQUES FARM RD**TAX MAP: 251.14-2-17****ZONE: RESIDENTIAL****APPLICANT: DAN WOFIELD****SITE PLAN APPLICATION #0930**

Applicant is changing the doors and windows which will change the exterior look of the residence. Applicant is also seeking approval to change the color of the house either with siding or paint – depending on the economics of the issue. Dan Brown (Architectural consultant) questioned why it was necessary for a home owner to come forward for this type of work. The guidelines were read by Carol Sullivan. No further questions. Patricia Dow commended him for his presentation of pictures, saying that it helped. Patricia Dow made a motion to accept the application as presented, Robert Mastrantoni seconded the motion, Dan Garay – aye, Patty Kirkpatrick – aye.

CRAFT – RESIDENCE – 4 KNIGHT LANE**TAX MAP: 264.06-1-11****ZONE: RESIDENTIAL****APPLICANT: MICHAEL CRAFT****SITE PLAN APPLICATION #0932**

Applicant is requesting approval for a desk extension at the rear of the house. The extension will make the existing desk 12 x 12'. The set backs are appropriate. No questions or concerns. A motion was made by Patty Kirkpatrick to accept the application as presented. Seconded by Robert Mastrantoni, Patricia Dow – aye, Dan Garay – aye.

SUNDOWNER MOTEL**TAX MAP: 251.14-3-18 AND -23****ZONE: COMMERCIAL RESORT****LOCATION: 420 CANADA ST.****APPLICANT: JEFF ROUGEAU****SIGN APPLICATION #0929**

Applicant is requesting a sign change. Before and after pictures are available at the Village Office. The actual signage is 3' by 8' (24 sq. feet) and the reader board is 3' by 8' (24 sq. ft). Patricia Dow questioned the actual sign measurements – needs to be within the 50 sq. ft criteria. Doug Frost and Jeff Rougeau left the meeting to measure the sign. Upon return it was agreed that the sign was well within the criteria and a motion was made by Patty Kirkpatrick to accept the application as presented and Patricia Dow seconded it, Robert Mastrantoni – aye, Dan Garay – aye.

PUTTS N PRIZES – NAME CHANGE/NEW SIGN**LOCATION: CORNER OF BEACH RD AND CANADA ST.****TAX MAP: 251.18-3-71****ZONE: COMMERCIAL RESORT****APPLICANT: RAJIV SHARMA****SIGN APPLICATION # 0935**

An application has been made to change the name from Putts N Prizes to Funland. Applicant is also proposing changing the 4 signs on the property due to the name change. Pictures were also included in the application. The owner was not present and Mitch Lezi was representing him. The sign change has already taken place. Robert Mastrantoni explained that they did not follow the set criteria, the name change and the sign change has taken place without coming to the Village for approval. Discussion took place on the lack of consequence for business community of not following the rules. The rules are enclosed with each years business licensing

permit and it was felt that the Village Board may want to look into this to make the business owners more accountable which was agreed upon by the Planning Board members. Carol explained that a formal motion is not necessary since the village board is aware of the planning boards actions. It was determined that the code only provides for 2 signs on this corner property. The motion was made by Patty Kirkpatrick to accept 2 signs and a name change for 8 Beach Road, This was seconded by Robert Mastrantoni, Patricia Dow – aye, Dan Garay – aye.

Name change – new sign. Mitch Lezi represented the owner. Signs were changed without prior approval from the Board (white background) and have been taken down. Even though the name was changing and the design changed, the owner thought the sign(s) did not require approval.

T SHIRT SPOT (PREVIOUSLY CRESTHAVEN SALES)

LOCATION: 142 CANADA ST.

TAX MAP: 251.18-3-63.3

ZONE: COMMERCIAL RESORT

APPLICANT: IRFAN ARAIN

SIGN APPLICATION # 0936

Did not show up for the meeting.

CHURCH SIGN – CANADA STREET & MONTCALM ST.

The village DPW took down the existing sign since it was deteriorating. The current sign proposed was displayed by a picture, brown with yellow lettering.

Patricia Dow suggested a reddish brown with cream lettering. No other questions or concerns. Patricia Dow made a motion to accept the signage with the appropriate color change and the size as presented. Robert Mastrantoni seconded. Dan Garay – aye, Patty Kirkpatrick – aye.

Patty Kirkpatrick wished to make a statement regarding the upheaval at last months meeting. She noted that she was sorry that Dan Courtney was not present since she would have liked to address him directly. Patty feels that an apology from Dan Courtney is owed to the Planning Board and the Village of Lake George for drawing such negative publicity. This behavior was not acceptable and it breached all matters of integrity.

Joe Mastrodomenico also asked to apologize to the Planning Board as a member of the Village Board for the short time period that was given to the Planning Board to approve the Church Sign. Robert M. accepted his apology and explained that because of the short season and the fact that it was a Church sign he (Robert Mastrantoni) made the decision to be able to present it. Patricia Dow also spoke and said she appreciated the explanation and hopes that in the future that they will have the 10 days to explore the issues.

Patricia Dow questioned whether or not the Board would be doing the extra hour meeting prior to the public meeting. Robert assured her that he felt that this month, because of last months upheaval, that we needed to focus on the business at hand but in the future the one hour early meeting will be continued.

Robert Mastrantoni made a motion to convene the meeting which was seconded by Patty Kirkpatrick, Patricia Dow – aye, Dan Garay – aye.

Respectfully submitted
Edrie A. Squires