

May 18, 2010

TUCKAHOE SIGN AND AWNING BOARD
TUCKAHOE VILLAGE HALL – 2:30 pm

Present: Chairwoman Ann Marie Ciaramella
Member Nicole Pushkal
Member Barbara Nieminen

Also in Attendance:
Michael Seminara Code Enforcement Officer

Absent: Bill Williams Building Inspector

Item #1 Approval of Minutes – April 20, 2010
Item #2 29 Columbus Avenue Return
Item #3 8 Fisher Avenue Adjourned
Item #4 28 Columbus Avenue Return
Item #5 269 Columbus Avenue Return
Item #6 118 Main Street New Sign
Item #7 30 Elm Street New Window Signs

Item #1 Approval of Minutes – April 20, 2010
Member Pushkal motioned to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2010 meeting. This motion was seconded by Member Nieminen and unanimously carried by the Board with a vote of 3-0.

Chairwoman Ciaramella explained that VIP located at 4 Fisher Avenue was given a temporary six month approval for use of a TV Monitor at his business. However, the approval expires today and Chairwoman Ciaramella made a motion to extend it for an additional six months. No complaints have been recorded; however, we ask that the owner give us input regarding the TV Monitor. Member Pushkal seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried by the board with a vote of 3-0.

Item #2 29 Columbus Avenue
Member Nieminen motioned to formally approve Tuckahoe Paint and Glass as presented. This motion was seconded by Member Pushkal and unanimously carried by the board with a vote of 3-0.

Item #3 28 Columbus Avenue
Member Nieminen motioned to formally approve Garden Sushi as presented. This motion was seconded by Member Pushkal and unanimously carried by the board with a vote of 3-0.

Item #4 269 Columbus Avenue Return

Chairwomen Ciaramella noted that "John Custom" and "Tailor" were both 7.25 inches in height, but they appear to be different sizes. Mr. Silva determined that "John Custom" is 7.25 inches and "Tailor" is 4.50 inches. Discussion regarding keeping the original sign took place. Member Nieminen explained that the new sign design is more elegant and also is easily read by people going by. Member Nieminen also suggested that they bring the information from the sign to the window. The window sign could be either etched or vinyl lettering can be used. She also suggested putting a mannequin in the window with a suit or dress so that people can see alterations done at this store.

Mr. Silva also asked if a permit was needed for a Sandwich Sign. He was advised that if the sign is in the Village Right of Way, they need to give us Hold Harmless and Liability insurance. Mr. Seminara also mentioned that the sign cannot exceed 36 inches, must be placed directly in front of business, limit is for one sign, sign must be constructed of durable weatherproof material.

Member Pushkal asked if they thought of putting an arm sign on the building. Mr. Silva said no he was not interested in this.

A motion was made to accept the application as submitted for 269 Columbus Avenue, by Member Nieminen, "John Custom" being 7.25 Inches and "Tailor" being 4.50 inches, white lettering with green background, no photos, seconded by Member Pushkal and unanimously carried by the board with a vote of 3-0.

Item #5 118 Main Street New Sign

Mr. Cappabianca, representing San Signs, presented an application for "Severino's Grocery", Chairwoman Ciaramella asked if "Severino's Grocery" sign is the exact same as the sign for The Quarry. Mr. Cappabianca said, "Yes". Member Nieminen noted that the arm sign is different. The Quarry has a twisted bar and Severino is a plain arm bar. Member Nieminen suggested that it would be nice if all arm signs were the same. Mr. Cappabianca said that it was a cost issue. Member Pushkal asked what the difference was. Mr. Cappabianca said that he would absorb the cost if it meant the sign would be approved. Chairwomen Ciaramella asked if the lettering size is the same as "Fast Frame". Mr. Cappabianca said the lettering is the same, the difference is the "Severino's Grocery" is a longer name. Member Nieminen suggested that the size of the font could be smaller so that it will not look cramped together.

A motion was made to approve with a stipulations that the changes noted by Member Pushkal, i.e. uppercase is 9 Inches and lower case is 7 inches, color is black with gold lettering, the arm sign be twisted to match "The Quarry", seconded by Member Nieminen. Chairwomen Ciaramella added that a revised drawing of this amended presentation be submitted to the Building Department for its file. It is unanimously carried by the board with a vote of 3-0.

Item #6 30 Elm Street New Sign

Mr. Gamal Amir, owner of Pyramid Squash, presented drawings of the banners to place in the windows. Chairwomen Ciaramella explained to Mr. Amir that the drawings were not to code and that he needs to read the code and submit new drawings to code. Discussion took place regarding the issues of why the signs were not to code. Suggestions were also given to Mr. Amir regarding placing signs on his building.

Signs can only be placed at street level. It was also suggested that he get a professional sign person who will read the code and then design a sign appropriate for the building. The Pyramid logo might be placed on both ends of the building since the building faces more than one street. Chairwomen Ciaramella also noted that the sign on the front entrance needs to be approved and that he needs to make an application for those signs.

The applicant was asked to return next month with new drawings.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 15th at 2:30pm

There being no further comments from the public or business before the Board, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 3:25 pm.