

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Hank Besanceney, Mark Donahoe, Hal Gaffin, Jim Hoh, Stephanie Tolan

**ALSO PRESENT:** Laura Baranes, Nelson Baranel, Chuck Jansen, Vito Arbore

Chair Gaffin called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

**SIGN VARIANCES: MOLYE CHEVROLET, 115 W. MAIN ST**

The group from Molye presented their application for two variances:

- 1.) Area variance for an existing sign that exceeds the 12' height and 32 sf. area requirements
- 2.) Variance to allow internal lighting for the existing sign and for new wall mounted signs

The applicants showed pictures of the existing sign and of new signage required by Chevy. The current, free standing sign is 20.5 high (the code allows 12'). They are requesting a change to the face of the sign and want no other changes.

It was pointed out to the applicant that the code was changed 15 years ago and that all Village businesses were given 10 years to make the required changes. Molye is the only business still out of compliance.

During the discussion it was discovered that the front setback for the current sign was 18'. The code requires a minimum of 20'.

The applicant is also requesting two internally lit wall signs. Te explained that only the individual letters would be lit, not the background. The letters would be blue, which is the least bright color.

Vito Arbore stated that they would plan on have the lights on from dusk to dawn. The Board pointed out that internally lit signs are prohibited in the code. It is also prohibited to have sign lighting on between the hours of 11:00 PM and 5:30 AM.

There were no members of the public present and Chair Gaffin closed the public hearing at 8:08 PM.

Motion by Jim Hoh, seconded by Stephanie Tolan to deny the applied for variances for size, height and internal lighting.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

- C. H. Gaffin – Aye
- H. Besanceney – Aye
- M. Donahoe – Aye
- J. Hoh – Aye
- S. Tolan – Aye

**ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED, VARIANCES DENIED**

The Board filled out the Area Determination Worksheet (see attached).

Motion by Hank Besanceney, seconded by Mark Donahoe to adjourn the meeting.

ALL IN FAVOR, MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judi Barrett, Clerk

Village of Honeoye Falls  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
AREA VARIANCE DETERMINATION

Applicant/Owner:  
Property Address:  
Zoning Ordinance(s):  
Variance(s) Requested:

In making its determination, the zoning board of appeals shall take into consideration the benefit to the applicant if the variance is granted, as weighed against the detriment to the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood or community by such grant.

The Zoning Board made the following findings:

1. **THE BENEFIT SOUGHT BY THE APPLICANT**    **CAN**    **CANNOT** BE ACHIEVED BY OTHER FEASIBLE MEANS.  
**EXPLAIN:**
  
2. **GRANTING OF THE VARIANCE**    **WILL**    **WILL NOT** PRODUCE AN UNDESIRABLE CHANGE IN THE CHARACTER OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD OR A DETRIMENT TO NEARBY PROPERTIES. **EXPLAIN:**
  
3. **THE REQUESTED VARIANCE**    **IS**    **IS NOT** SUBSTANTIAL. **EXPLAIN:**
  
4. **THE VARIANCE**    **WILL**    **WILL NOT** HAVE ANY ADVERSE PHYSICAL OR ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS ON THE NEIGHBORHOOD OR DISTRICT. **EXPLAIN:**
  
5. **THE ALLEGED DIFFICULTY**    **WAS**    **WAS NOT** SELF-CREATED. **EXPLAIN:**

Zoning Board Decision: Based upon the above findings, the Zoning Board  
**GRANTS**    **DENIES** the area variance application.

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Chairman Signature

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Date