

VILLAGE OF HONEOYE FALLS ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS September 24, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT: Hank Besanceney, Patrick Brennan, Mark Donahoe, Jim Hoh, Stephanie Tolan

ALSO PRESENT: Danny Bassette, Tracey Luppchetti, John Welden, Charlie Johnson

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

AREA VARIANCE: 11 East St

Tracey Luppchetti presented a variance request from Code Section 190-91 (B) & 190-92 (F) to have the existing barber pole sign/logo on the front of his shop to have an internal illumination and to rotate. He described that this was a classic emblem of barber shops that fit the historic nature of the Village. He believes that this will add to the feeling and character of the village. Tracey added that this was not a sign but rather an emblem.

Chair Besanceney opened the discussion to the public at 7:45 PM. One resident, John Welden, spoke about the high turn over of recent businesses at this location and felt that anything the Board could do to help would be good. He spoke in favor of the illuminated sign.

There were no additional comments and Chair Besanceney closed the public hearing at 7:55 PM. Several Board members spoke regarding the definition of a sign, the historical character of this particular sign and the intent of the sign ordinance. Discussed that this is a light and not a sign as no words or information were present. The Board generally agreed that the historical nature of the sign/light fits with the character of the Village. This is the exception that proves the rule.

Mark Donahoe made the motion to approve the variance to allow internal illumination and rotating motion with the following conditions:

1. Variance is valid for one year, with renewal by the ZBA required to make variance permanent. This was to confirm that light levels and motion will not be a nuisance.
2. Sign/light can be operated only during hours business is open.

Stephanie Tolan seconded the motion.

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED, area variance GRANTED

ALL IN FAVOR, MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:25 PM.

*Respectfully submitted,
Charlie Johnson, CEO*