

DESIGN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON
ZOOM MEETING

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 2021
5:00 P.M.

PRESENT: **PEDRO PACHANO, CHAIR**
JONATHAN HANKIN
STEVE DIETEMANN
JIM MERCER
JENNIFER CLARK
ED MAY, STAFF LIAISON

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Pachano called the Zoom meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. He stated that the meeting is being recorded. He called for a roll call of those present.

Mr. Hankin, present; Mr. Dietemann, present; Mr. Mercer, present; Ms. Clark, present; Mr. Pachano, present.

II. MINUTES: MARCH 10, 2021

MOTION: Mr. Hankin to approve as amended the minutes of March 10, 2021

SECOND: Mr. Dietemann

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Hankin, aye; Mr. Dietemann, aye; Mr. Mercer, aye; Ms. Clark, aye; Mr. Pachano, aye

III. 274 MAIN STREET:

Travis Derr was present to discuss the sign for Gold Digger. He said there will be a single carved wall mounted sign in two colors.

Mr. Pachano asked what type of material would be used.

Mr. Derr said 1 inch thick PVC mounted flush to the wall.

Mr. Dietemann asked if there will be any lighting.

Mr. Derr said no. He said the sign will be facing the parking lot.

Mr. Pachano asked if the letters would be raised.

Mr. Derr said no the letters will be carved.

MOTION: Mr. Hankin to approve the sign as submitted

SECOND: Mr. Dietemann

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Hankin, aye; Mr. Dietemann, aye; Ms. Clark, aye; Mr. Mercer, Mr. Pachano, aye

307 MAIN STREET:

Applicant Donna Norman was present with Travis Derr to discuss a wall mounted sign on the back of 307 Main Street. The sign will face the Tom's Toys parking lot.

Mr. Derr said the existing sign is currently behind an electrical conduit. He said the frame will be built so we don't have to deal with the conduit.

Mr. Dietemann asked if there is parking for Calyx in that parking lot.

Mr. May said yes.

Mr. Dietemann asked if the sign is flat.

Mr. Derr said yes.

Mr. Hankin said the sign is 12 feet long. He asked if it meets code.

Mr. May said it is within the limits. He said they are allowed 50 square feet and this sign is 36 square feet. He said he had checked with the electrical inspector about the electrical conduit. He said it is ok.

Mr. Hankin asked about the window.

Mr. Derr said the sign is just below the window.

Ed Abrahams asked if Cannabis is a word allowed to be in the sign.

Ms. Norman said yes.

MOTION: Mr. Hankin to approve the sign as submitted

SECOND: Mr. Dietemann

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Hankin, aye; Mr. Dietemann, aye; Ms. Clark, aye; Mr. Mercer, Mr. Pachano, aye

304 MAIN STREET:

Mr. Mercer recused himself from the discussion as he owns the building. He said the address is actually 3 Railroad Street.

Mr. May said that is not a legal address the address is 304 Main Street.

Mr. Derr discussed the application on behalf of Abigail Pendergist for a sign on Railroad Street. He said the sign this is a window sign with a somewhat transparent logo. He said it can be removed as need be. It will be on an opaque window inside the glass.

Mr. Hankin said there may be a reflection.

Mr. Derr said there may be some reflection from the glass.

Ms. Clark said it is very far out and very cool.

Mr. Dietemann said he liked it.

Mr. Hankin asked if the sandwich board sign has anything to do with this application.

Mr. Derr said he had no knowledge of the sandwich board sign.

Mr. May said sandwich board signs do not go through the Committee because they are temporary and can be moved.

MOTION:

Mr. Hankin to approve the sign as submitted

SECOND:

Mr. Dietemann

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Hankin, aye; Mr. Dietemann, aye; Ms. Clark, aye; Mr. Pachano, aye

DAC BUSINESS:

Mr. Pachano said Ms. Hamer resigned from the Committee due to a conflict with the meeting time. He said at last year's ATM the membership was lowered from seven members to five members. He said we still have six members.

Ms. Clark asked how the sign for Rob's Records and Hey Day on Railroad Street.

Mr. Pachano said he sent a picture. He said there appears to be plenty of clearance with the handrail but he would have preferred it to be smaller.

Mr. May said the tail of the "Y" interrupts the handrail by ½ inch. He said he has already contacted the sign company and they will take care of it.

Mr. Dietemann asked if it is working.

Mr. Pachano said the record shop is not open and he said he hasn't seen Hey Day open.

Mr. Abrahams said he has seen the stuff moved but not open.

Mr. Dietemann asked why they put the sign up if they aren't open.

Mr. May said they wanted the signs up before opening.

IV. CITIZEN'S SPEAK TIME:

There was no one present to speak.

Having concluded its business, Mr. Pachano adjourned without objection at 5:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary