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**MEETING MINUTES**

**September 22, 2011**

The meeting was opened at 7:35 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members were in attendance: Chairman John Alfonzetti, Mark Brown, Joe Paiva and Bruce Prince.

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Paiva and seconded by Mr. Prince to approve the minutes of the August 25, 2011 meeting. All were in favor.

**APPLICANTS**

**Heritage Hills Wastewater Management**

**APPROVED**

The Board met with Lewis Dibble of Cedarwood Engineering Services, PLLC with regard to three proposals for upgrades to the Heritage Hills Wastewater Treatment Plant. The upgrades are as follows: Process Building North Elevation – add a second 8' wide by 10' high rolling steel overhead door to match the existing door and to add two flush louvers on either side of the door. The louver to the left of the door is 16" high by 16" wide and that to the right is 48" high by 16" wide; Microfiltration Building North Elevation – add a 4' high by 4' wide flush louver to the left of the existing door; and Microfiltration Building South Elevation – replace an existing door with a 10' high by 10' wide rolling steel overhead door. The color of the rolling steel overhead doors and louvers will match the cocoa brown color of the buildings. A motion was made by Mr. Paiva to accept the proposal as submitted. It was seconded by Mr. Prince. Mr. Brown was also in favor of the motion. Mr. Alfonzetti abstained. A resolution will be sent to the Planning Department with copies to the Building Department and Mr. Dibble.

## **Cutting Edge Barbers, Salon and Tanning – 250 Mahopac Avenue**

### **APPROVED**

Cutting Edge Barbers, Salon and Tanning owner Mike Baron met with the Board regarding a sign proposal for his business located at 250 Mahopac Avenue. The sign is 2' high by 10' wide and will be attached to the façade of the building over the entrance to the store. The words "Cutting Edge" are lime green in color, and "Barbers, Salon and Tanning" are white. The background goes from black to grey, and there is a profile of a man and woman at the edge in black, outlined by white. A fluorescent strip light that is cast downward under a hood will be installed over the sign. The placard on the pylon directory will not be changed. Mr. Alfonzetti made a motion to accept the sign proposal as submitted. It was seconded by Mr. Brown. All were in favor. A resolution will be sent to the Building Department with a copy to Mr. Baron.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Traditions 118 – Update**

The renovations at Traditions 118 located at 11 Old Tomahawk Street are completed and all agreed that what was done is a great improvement to the building.

#### **1 Lovell Street – Update**

Brewster Signs reduced the size of the sign at 1 Lovell Street. It has been confirmed by both Mr. Prince and the Building Inspector that the sign is 6' – 4" wide from the outside of the posts (the maximum allowed is 6' – 6") and it is 11' - 2" high (the maximum allowed is 10'). On September 8, the Building Inspector called the owner and informed him that the height has to be reduced by 1' – 2". The owner indicated that he was going to contact Brewster Signs to complete this task. To date the sign has not been reduced. A memo will be sent to the Building Inspector with a copy to the owner, as well as Brewster Signs, requesting an update as to when in fact reducing the sign will take place, as it is still in violation.

#### **Checklist for Submissions and Applications**

Mr. Paiva shared with the Board a sign application and checklist, as well as a checklist and application for submissions other than signs under the Architectural Review Board's prevue that he created. All members were asked to review these documents and come prepared to comment on them at the October meeting.

#### **Signage Code Recommended Changes**

Recommended changes for the signage code are being prepared and will be reviewed by the Board.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Taste Gourmet Deli and Catering – 265 Route 202**

There is a red and blue neon "OPEN" sign hanging in the window of this business located at 265 Route 202. A memo will be sent to the Building Department as neon signs are not permissible in the Business Historic Preservation District as per the Town Code.

**Somers Custom Framing – 253 Route 202**

The owners are using a weathered piece of plywood to hang temporary signs for their business located at 253 Route 202. Although temporary signs are allowable as per Town Code in the Business Historic Preservation District, for only 14 days at a time, the piece of wood is quite large and unsightly even when a sign is attached to it. The Board would like to suggest that it be recommended to the owners that they hang their signs on a sandwich board that can be taken in each evening. A memo will be sent to the Building Department.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 27, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room at the Town House.

Respectfully submitted,

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