ARB Meeting

November 1, 2011

Present	**Absent**
Chairman Wohlers	
William Rutter	
Joseph Slominski	
Denny Marra	
Craig Byham	

Carol Nellis Ewell, Liaison Village Board
Donna Stassen, Secretary Planning Board
Village Attorney Eric Stowe

Others Present

Anthony Alonicia
Brian Harding
Kris Schultz

Pontillo's
500 S Union Street
Lighted Signage

Brian Hardy owner of Pontillo's stated that the signage fits the space provided for it. The old sign did not require a permit the old sign was almost the same in color. This sign is larger I apologize for missing the boat on that and not getting a permit. The sign is 4ft x 8 ft.

Chairman Wohlers: The signage is larger than permitted the code only allows for a 20 sq ft sign. Secondly the sign does not fit the design criteria.

Craig Byham: Brian you changed your sign after you were in business for awhile the original sign was in compliance with the other signs on the building; it was brown with scalloped edges.

Brian Hardy: It was actually a maroon sign with gold lettering that was the exact same sign we just flipped it over and put vinyl on it.

Craig Byham: You made it white and illuminated it with fluorescent lighting. You didn't come in front of the board for that. You stated you didn't have to.

Brian Harding: I was told I didn't have to excuse me I misspoke.

Craig Byham: You didn't come before the board for the other sign and this sign is not in compliance the diner came with a similar sign and we asked them to comply with the sign ordinance. As far as I am concerned I don't know how we can differentiate the two signs. I have no problem with the lighting just the sign itself.

Denny Marra: Who made the sign?

Brian Harding: Dan Azolina

Denny Marra: My feeling is if you go back to the other sign with the lighting I am fine with that. I don't like the fact that you didn't get approval first. You're an established business it is not like no one knows your there.

Brian Harding: Is there a way that I can tweak the sign that I currently have as far as scalloping the edges.

Denny Marra: It is hard to cut 12 sq feet off the sign, but if you scallop the edges and cut it down to just where you are under your lettering I would be ok with it.

Chairman Wohlers stated that the sign can remain up until next month and directed the applicant to redesign the sign to a size of 20 sq ft or less oval shaped or the semi circle like the Lighthouse Restaurant and come back with a new rendering for this board to review.

Brian Harding: We tried to make it as classy as we could.
Mr. Harding agreed to come back next month with new renderings.

Grandpa Sam's
Building Alteration
Anthony Aloncia

Anthony Aloncia owner of Grandpa Sam's stated to the board that the purpose of the whole thing is the ice problems. I have had to drop so much salt around that area and chop the ice so many times the stairs rotted from all the salt. We have had an employee and a tenant slip and fall on the stairs. There isn't anything wrong with the roof. I had the contractor cover the two staircases the whole thing started out to be a repair problem.
Chairman Wohlers the appearance is so high with the posts and the gables have you thought about bringing that section down to a lower level?

Anthony Aloncia: No, if I did I would have to tear off the roof that is already there. I thought it was good like that in case of an emergency and you had to exit out of the windows you would have something to step on.

William Rutter: You already have a roof over the door on the left side.

Anthony Aloncia: That is pretty much useless

William Rutter: But if you extended that

Anthony Aloncia: Don't forget there is a loading dock there which the trucks have to clear the roof.

Chairman Wohlers: How were you going to finish this off we don't have a list of materials?

Chairman Wohlers suggested extending the south elevation roof across with a pitch and that type of shingling.

Anthony Aloncia: I don't know if that will serve the purpose

Chairman Wohlers: Still come out four feet with a pitch.

Anthony Aloncia: More pitch would put it past the windows.

Craig Byham: Have you had any architectural drawings done?

Anthony Aloncia: Without complicating things I just continued the roof from that point.

Craig Byham: These pressure treated posts are those 4x4, that seems like a very skinny pole.

Tim Leatherisch (contractor): The size of the post itself is based on load usually a 6 x 6 is needed to hold a much larger load.

Chairman Wohlers: Are you an engineer?

Tim Leatheresch: No, but I am required to go off the engineering specs from NYS Building Code.

Craig Byham: Are these all new posts? We have no idea how deep these 4x4's are in the ground.

Tim Leatherisch: All footers we put in were 48 inches below natural grade or more.

Craig Byham: Were they checked by the Building Inspector?

Tim Leatherisch: No.

Craig Byham: And you did not get a permit?

Anthony Aloncia: No, because I considered it a repair job afterwards it ended up getting more involved.

Craig Byham: We want to make sure that this is built to spec and will hold up.

Chairman Wohlers: Is there a storm drain, where do you bring the gutter down to?

Anthony Aloncia: The gutter that is already there just comes out on to the parking lot that's all there is just one gutter to the north end towards the shed.

Chairman Wohlers: You will be bringing down two more drops.

Anthony Aloncia: I don't think that there is any where to tie one.

Craig Byham: Are you putting a gutter on the front?

Anthony Aloncia: Yes a six inch gutter what I am intending to do is put an extension on gutter run under the shed and guide water to the center of parking lot to steer the water away from Gary and the basement. There is a storm drain in the middle of the parking lot.

Craig Byham: The reason for the height of the roof is because of the exhaust fan?

Anthony Aloncia: That is there for the protection of the exhaust roof, but we still have to maintain the height so that trucks can go under it.

Tim Leatherisch: The existing roof was only about 8 to 10 inches lower than the new portion.

Chairman Wohlers: How much height between dock and the bottom of the roof?

Anthony Aloncia: 11 ft

Denny Marra: Have you had any troubles with trucks hitting the existing roof line?

Anthony Aloncia: No

Joe Slominski asked what the exact height of the roof was.

Tim Leatherisch: It is 15'4" from the bottom, giving a clearance of approximately 4 1/2 ft between the bottom of the door to the top of the roof.

Denny Marra: I don't like the looks of it, I think if you extend it maybe a 1 ½ foot past the north side of the receiving dock and lower it down to where the previous one was with the ceiling. It carries the same design that is fine.

Chairman Wohlers: And add more pitch it is too flat for that height.

Craig Byham: What would be required if he was coming in like he should have from the beginning? Are we missing a piece, without the building inspector here we don't know what his thoughts and feelings are. Code Enforcement Officer Kevin Kelly gave us a letter saying they don't know how deep the footers are because they are already done. I don't think we should proceed without Jack Crooks being here.

Chairman Wohlers: My opinion is to go along with Denny's idea and maybe take that off; go with the original height and put some pitch on it and do a decorative shingle like the south elevation. You can still come

out the four feet. You are facing the Depot a lot of money has gone into that project and improving that back area. The proportion of that gable on top of those 4 x4's is not a good appearance.

Anthony Aloncia: Do you want cedar shingles?

Chairman Wohlers: They make a plastic one now that is maintenance free almost, no rolled roofing preferably a cedar shake plastic or metal matching the south side you have three exposures in full view of everyone.

Anthony Aloncia: Is there a way of getting a picture made and bringing it in earlier than the next meeting we are trying to beat the weather this is a big safety issue.

Chairman Wohlers: I understand but if we would have done this properly we wouldn't be in this situation.

Tim Leatherisch: The only thing that I see from my view as the contractor is that increasing the pitch will more or less continue the problem. Whereas before you were having ice up against the building now with a lower pitch it holds the ice with a higher pitch it just kicks it off, now you will have the same ice 4 ft from the building where everyone is walking anyways. It just pushes the problem out 4 ft instead of stopping the problem.

Chairman Wohlers: So you are trying to say this roof will catch the ice falling from above?

Anthony Aloncia: If it falls from above it won't fall on anyone but what stays there I can remove with my roof shovel.

Tim Leatherish: Are asphalt architectural shingles ok?

Chairman Wohlers: Preferably the plastic cedar shakes, check into that if not we can reconsider the architectural asphalt shingles.

After a lengthy discussion the Board tabled the application until the applicant returns with a drawing showing the bottom ledger board meeting the existing roof line, and increasing the pitch.

Approval of minutes: Motion made by Joseph Slominski seconded by Craig Byham and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of October 4, 2011 as written.

Adjournment: Motion made by Joseph Slominski seconded by Denny Marra and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm.