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Dummerston Development Review Board (DRB)
Minutes of the Meeting of Dec. 16, 2008

Application #3172 by Irving Oil Corporation, Portsmouth, NH, Michael Malynoski acting as authorized agent, to install new signs at their gas station/convenience store at 2557 West River Road (Route 30). Continued from Nov. 18, 2008.

Members present: Lew Sorenson (chair), Cindy Wilcox, Pat Jaquith, Herb Rest, alternate John Warren voting, alternate Rick Sullivan not voting.

Others present: Michael Malynoski for the applicant.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10PM in the meeting room of the Dummerston Town Office, by Lew Sorenson. Mr. Malynoski was still under oath from the meeting of Nov. 18, 2008.

The applicant presented a revised plan for signs at the gas station in question. The free-standing sign was reduced from 17'9" high to 6'10", and has a different shape. It is to be illuminated externally from above; beyond that, the exact nature of the lights has not been determined, including the level of brightness.

The applicant requests a sign on the building to carry the logo of the operator of the business in the building. The sign is to be illuminated externally by the existing lights attached to the soffit of the building. The material was proposed to be plastic. The sign would be located between the windows and bulletin board, and would not displace the bulletin board. The sign will be 3'x3'.

The canopy has been painted and the colors of the signs on it have been reversed. The applicant agrees that these signs will not be illuminated.

Other signs are mounted on the gas pumps, and would remain.

The written decision will issue and control.

The public session was recessed at 7:35 and reconvened at 8:15.

Application #3174 by David Baker, 573 Dutton Farm Road, to place a sign on his property at this address, identifying his home business of a violin shop.

Members present: Lew Sorenson (chair), Cindy Wilcox, Herb Rest, alternate John Warren voting, alternate Rick Sullivan voting. Pat Jaquith recused herself.

Others present: David Baker, Eileen Baker.

The public meeting was reconvened at 8:15PM by the chairman. The chairman administered the oath and explained the procedure.

David Baker proposes to place a sign on his property, near the intersection of Middle Road and Dutton Farm Road. The sign is to identify his violin shop. He is considering two locations, one behind the existing mailboxes and one beyond them on Dutton Farm Road. The sign would be made of "appropriate material," probably wood. It may be held up by one or two posts; the top would be about 8' high if behind the mailboxes, and lower if in the other location. He might want to illuminate it, but only during business hours, and then essentially in winter when the days are short. The intention is not to advertise but simply to identify the location.

The hearing was concluded at 8:45PM. The written decision will issue and control.

The DRB, with all the above members, plus Pat Jaquith, present, went into its Administrative Items.

1. There was no public comment.
2. The corrected minutes of the meeting of Nov. 18 have not yet been distributed. The acting clerk was duly chastised for this oversight.
3. Discussion was held as to whether to tape meetings. After discussion, it was decided unanimously not to record the meetings electronically.
4. The next meeting is scheduled for Jan. 20, 2009. There are currently two potential applications.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15PM.

Respectfully submitted
John Warren
Acting clerk

