

**MINUTES** of the Village of Montgomery Planning Board meeting held in the Conference Room of the Village Hall, Clinton Street, on Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7:30 pm.

**ATTENDANCE:** Chrm. Conero, Mbr. Romano, Mbr. McLean, Mbr. Weeden, Mbr. Crowley, Atty. Kevin Dowd, Eng. Dawn Kalisky from Lanc & Tully, Michael Aeillo, Robin Reynolds, Robert A. Reynolds, Sr., Maria Beltrametti, Marc Devitt (arrived late)

**OPEN:** Chrm. Conero opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chrm. Conero started-The one order of old business is 9 Bridge Street, revised plan. There is a conflict. Ms. Kalisky said they added landscaping, as discussed. Their rep indicated that the Planning Board had waived the requirement to post two signs as "Tenant Parking Only," which they did not. Mbr. Romano said that for the truck parking, yes. Ms. Kalisky said the plan does meet the required parking; two spaces are allotted when there is a single apartment above commercial. Chrm. Conero said he will not sign the site plan until it is revised. The Code Enforcer does check to see if the signs are there. Ms. Kalisky said that if the B/I has questions, he will call her office. Two building permits are issued, but the second one will not be until in compliance.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Aeillo/Romer Lot Line Change 213-3-1 & 4. This is the southern part of the Village.

Mr. Aeillo is representing himself and Wally Romer (He hangs site map up on the blackboard.) It is a lot line change; swapping identical areas of land. The parcels are oddly shaped, so the configuration to the right (pointing to the map) makes more sense. Ms. Kalisky said there is no difference in land. Mr. Aeillo said it was originally part of Ralph Dunn Farm; 12 acres. It eventually became two separate municipalities-one in the Town and one in the Village. The Chrm. confirms the location of Dunn Road. Mr. Aeillo said the change will make the property more marketable. Atty. Dowd said lot line changes do not always require public hearing. Chrm. Conero asked if it was historic property. Mbr. Crowley said it is not in the Village of Montgomery Historic District but is on the National Registry, possibly State. Atty. Dowd said it is still a Type 1 action. A copy of the site plan needs to be sent to the Town of Montgomery and the County. Since there is question regarding the historic status:

**A MOTION** was made to become Lead Agency by Chrm. Conero and seconded by Mbr. Romano and carried 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Chrm. Conero says the next order of new business is from the AHRB regarding a sign that the Fire Department would like to erect. The AHRB is not in favor of the sign, and according to Chrm. Freeman, he thinks there is something in the code that does not allow signs like what is being presented. Mbr. Crowley said that it is a lit sign and there was some question regarding that. There are to be no neon signs, that is why it is before the Planning Board.

Bob Reynolds introduces himself and passes out a picture of the proposed sign. The upper part is illuminated with light from within; the bottom is led. He explains that they would use it for many different things, including time/temperature. Mbr. Crowley asks about the illumination on top-it is similar to Goodwill Church. What colors in the bottom? The AHRB said that neon is distracting and flashing-they do not want that. Mr. Reynolds said the pillars will be about 3 ft high with planters/flowers. Atty. Dowd said interior lighted signs are allowed, flood lights are allowed, red and green lights have to be set off road about 75ft (because of traffic lights), intermittent or flashing lights are not allowed in any sign—this is code. Mbr. Crowley said the moving light in that particular area will be distracting. Mr. Reynolds will make the sign what ever way is acceptable for the Village. Chrm. Conero said that Mr. Reynolds will need to go before the Village Board.

**A MOTION** was made to give the River Street Subdivision, 146 River Street, a six month extension by Chrm. Conero and seconded by Mbr. Weeden and carried 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Chrm. Conero welcomed Erin Crowley to the Planning Board, as Brian Fitzpatrick resigned his position due to over commitments.

Ms. Beltrametti said that she reviewed the Public Hearing minutes from the Village Board regarding the Kaufman property (Vasapoli gas station & convenience store) and wanted to know if there was recourse, as she heard that Dunkin Donuts may be sold there. The Chrm. stated that they cannot prohibit a business based on name brand. They have not come before the Planning Board to add/change their signage; that Sunoco took the time to make the building historic per their urging.

**RE: ADJOURNMENT:**

**A MOTION** was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:17pm by Chrm. Conero and was seconded by Mbr. Romano, and carried 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

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Tina Murphy  
Deputy Village Clerk