

**Village of Manlius
Planning Board
February 1, 2010**

Present: Chairperson Helen Chamberlain, Marilyn Jeffery, Mark Panto, Matt Hodinger, Karen Ryon

Others: Trustees Janice Abdo-Rott, Harold Hopkinson, Eric Krouse, Attorney Jon Bard, Code Enforcement David Tessier, Mike Skeele, Janet Webb, Walt Bobesky, Dave Razzante

Excused: Engineer Chuck White

Called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion made by Mrs. Jeffery, seconded by Mrs. Ryon to approve the minutes of December 14, 2009. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairperson Helen Chamberlain advised the planning Board members that she wrote a memo to the ZBA regarding the additional Saucy Swan sign that does not conform to the Sign Code. One gooseneck light was approved. After further review, the gooseneck light was changed to a recessed light because truck traffic would run into the gooseneck light.

County Planning Symposium meeting is March 4, 2010. Applications must postmarked by February 5, 2010. The cost is \$65.00. After February 5, 2010, the cost is \$75.00.

Michael Skeele – Banners

Mike Skeele made a presentation regarding banners in the village. The colors would be Marine Blue and Burgundy with white lettering/design. Banners would start at the point south of the Village (Academy St./Military Dr.); follow Rte. 92 to the point in front of Bank of America where the village sign board exists. This figures about 20 poles/banners about every third pole. Proposed areas for extending the banners are continuing on Rte 92; Manlius-Fayetteville Rd, Rte 173 going towards the High School and Rte 173 towards Jamesville.

Banners are 30” by 60” made of a sunbrella material that holds up well to water, sun fading and wind. These banners are mounted to the poles with two brackets. They are printed on both sides. At the bottom of the banners will be a Sponsor Tag which is 30” by 18” with the sponsor’s name on it. Overall size would be 30” by 78”. No advertising or logos are to be used on the sponsor’s tag. The top of the sponsor tag is connected to the bottom of the banner with plastic ties and the bottom is mounted to a third bracket. This allows the sponsor tag to be changed if needed in the future and the additional bracket provides additional stability for the overall banner /tag setup.

The banner, tag and 3 brackets will cost approx. \$300.00. The Chamber will front the cost to order and handle the accounting, with a report given to the Manlius Village Board upon completion. The Chamber proposes to sell at least 20 banners this year at a cost to the Sponsor of \$300. Cost neutral for the first year. Then the Chamber will sell sponsorship rights to the original sponsor for \$125/yr for as long as the banners hold up (at least 5 years). When a sponsor needs to be replaced because they are no longer in business or have not paid the renewal fee. Then we would sell the banner sponsorship to anew sponsor for \$200 for the first time with a \$150 annual renewal fee. Original sponsor would get a 20% price break as they would be paying the most upfront and as long as they continually renew their sponsorship rights.

Estimated annual fees to be approx. at least \$2,500 after the initial year. The Chamber proposes that the renewal fees be split 50/50 with the Village. The Village can use their revenue to offset DPW costs or set aside the funds to do community projects.

Chairperson Helen Chamberlain made a presentation with various banners in various municipalities. Her presentation included pictures of smaller sized banners than the ones presented by Mike Skeele. The Planning Board members thought that the banners would be a traffic distraction. Discussion ensued regarding putting the banners on the street lights and have flower pots sponsored by the businesses. Chairperson Chamberlain will draft a letter to the Village Board of Trustees covering the items discussed regarding the banners. She also believes that the Local Law regarding banners would need to be changed by the Village Board. The Planning Board members also agree that they have no legal standing to recommend the banners.

SECNY FCU- Sign Permit

Walt Bobesky and Dave Razzante appeared before the Planning Board requesting a freestanding sign on Pleasant St. As this second sign is not allowed under code 99-25C(3)(a), they would need to go to the ZBA for an area variance.

The existing monument sign was discussed regarding the shiny finish and that although the sign face has been painted black it is not totally opaque. It was suggested that the sign be modified with a trim to box in the sign. Brushed aluminum or aztec was recommended to soften the look of the face. The sign company will meet with Planning Board members before the sign is changed.

The attached sign was to be lit by soffit lighting. Walt Bobesky will disconnect the lighting to the freestanding letters of the attached sign.

The freestanding monument sign requested on Pleasant St. was discussed. The Planning Board members do not favor a monument sign. They would like a sign that is supported by a pole and that this sign would only be an identifying sign only. Design to be discussed after approval from the ZBA for an area variance.

The Planning Board recommends that the ZBA grant an area variance for this second sign provided that it is for identification only. Motion made by Mrs. Jeffery, seconded by Mrs. Ryon to approve an area variance. All in favor. Motion carried.

7650 Highbridge Rd. – Demolition Permit

Code Enforcement Officer, David Tessier, represented the applicant, William Walker. Applicant has chosen to remove the building. Utilities have been terminated. Onondaga County Department of Health has signed their report for vermins. A certificate of liability insurance has been received naming the Village of Manlius as an additional insured for \$500,000. The building is not part of the Historic District entered on the National Register per Barbara Rivette, Village Historian. Dave Tessier has had no serious complaints regarding the demolition. Security deposit equaling the demolition cost of \$5,000 to \$10,000 will need to be provided before a demolition permit is issued.

Motion to waive a public hearing made by Mrs. Ryon, seconded by Mrs. Jeffery. All in favor. Motion carried.

Pursuant to SEQR, the Planning Board declared themselves lead agency with a single uncoordinated review of an unlisted action with a negative declaration with no significant adverse environmental impacts based on review of EAF and all other pertinent information. Motion made by Mrs. Ryon, seconded by Mrs. Jeffery. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the demolition with the following conditions:

- Site to be filled to a mow able condition and maintained afterwards
 - Security deposit to be received
 - Not a part of Historic District
 - All requirements pertaining to Village code 37-4 and code 37-7 are met
- made by Mrs. Jeffery, seconded by Mr. Panto. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairperson Helen Chamberlain questioned the site plan application for Express Mart as they have not started any renovations in over a year.

Motion made by Mrs. Jeffery, seconded by Mrs. Ryon to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Stuper, Secretary
Planning Board

