

# ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS



19 WASHINGTON STREET  
SHERBORN, MASSACHUSETTS 01770

## MINUTES August 5, 2015

**Members Present:** Alan Rubenstein, Richard Novak, Ron Steffek, and Paul Kerrissey

**Others Present:** Jeanne Guthrie, Ed Rose, Eliot Taylor, Sona Schuermann, Siobhan Doherty, Bruce Weisberg, Chris Hadjigeorgiou, Scott Spaulding, Richard Bonomo, Jena Dreissig, Bob Dreissig

Chairman Alan Rubenstein called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m. in the Sherborn Town Hall, Room 204B.

### **21506**

Renewal of a special permit under Section 3.2.19 to operate a used car business at 26 North Main Street which is in a Business G district. Ed Rose presented the case for this permit and stated that there has been no changes to the business. Eliot Taylor raised his concern about a light from the subject property that shines onto his property and objected to this permit being renewed until the light is moved. Discussion followed with Mr. Rose stating that he had moved the light and the ZBA members had been out to observe where the light had been relocated. The members of the ZBA suggested to Mr. Taylor that if the light is in violation, then he could complain to the Zoning Enforcement Officer. If he agrees with Mr. Taylor, the ZEO can issue a cease and desist order. Richard Novak moved to grant the renewal of the special permit for to operate a used car business with an expiration date of September 1, 2020 subject to conditions, seconded by Ron Steffek. The motion was approved unanimously.

### **21507**

Petition of Jennifer Ziskin, under Section 3.2.18, for a non-profit fundraiser at 33 North Main Street, Heritage at Sherborn. Sona Schuermann and Siobhan Doherty presented the case for this petition. The fundraiser is for POSITIVE, which is the Dover Sherborn Middle School Parent Organization and will be held on October 3, 2015. They are asking for the special permit to have outdoor entertainment which is allowed under Section 3.2.18. Certain conditions were discussed which included sound barriers to keep noise level from surrounding residences and a private

police detail for parking. The band is a blue's band which will be on the patio and the music will be held to a 3 hour limit from 6:30pm to 9:30pm. No lights from the patio will be directed towards the street. Eliot Taylor, an abutter objected to this special permit. Paul Kerrissey moved to grant the special permit for a fundraiser with outdoor entertainment subject to conditions, seconded by Rick Novak. The motion was approved unanimously.

**21508**

Petition of Christos Hadjigeorgiou for a Special Permit under Section 5.2.7 for signage at 31 North Main Street. Scott Spaulding of Viewpoint Sign presented the case for new signage for Middlesex Savings Bank. He provided the Board with dimensioned plans showing the location of each of the three new signs. There were no objections from the public. Rick Novak moved to grant the special permit for signage, seconded by Paul Kerrissey. The motion was approved unanimously.

**21509**

Petition of Richard Bonomo for a Special Permit under Section 3.2.5 for a professional dog training & grooming entity which includes some boarding & daycare. Jana Dreissig and her father Bob Dreissig presented the case for the petition as potential buyers of the property. Alan Rubenstein explained to the Dreissig's that 1 or 2 similar petitions have already come before the Board and were not approved. A lengthy discussion regarding number of dogs, noise, number of employees, etc. There were no objections from any abutters or members of the public. Rick Novak asked the other members how the Board could grant a special permit for this petition when it had not granted others. Mr. Rubenstein stated that he does not think that this petition can fit into the definition in the by-law under Section 3.2.5. The consensus of the Board was that it does not currently fit with Section 3.2.5. The Board members discussed with Ms. Dreissig the possibility of a Zoning change but that could not occur til next April's Annual Town Meeting. It was stated that the Planning Board may possibly sponsor an article to go before ATM. They asked if the petitioner would like to withdraw the petition. Ms. Dreissig asked if the hearing could be continued til the next regular ZBA hearing to give her time to explore the possibility of such a change to the by-law. The Board agreed.

The next meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Wednesday, September 23, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. in the Sherborn Town Hall, room 204B.

This meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanne Guthrie

Minutes approved September 23, 2015