

Minutes

Village Planning Board

March 26, 2013

A meeting of the Village of Horseheads Planning Board was held on the above date at 5:30 p.m. in Village Hall. Present were:

Board Members

Mike Stenpeck
Doug Baker
Sue Warner
Alt. Bill Goodwin

Village Staff

Manager's Asst. Rachel Baer
Code Enf. Off. Bob Young

Absent

Chairman Fortier
Lori Spallone
Alt. Richard Rich

Others Present

Paul Aldrich, First Baptist Church

Motion by Doug Baker, seconded by Sue Warner, that Mike Stenpeck be appointed as Acting Chairperson in the absence of Chairman Fortier.

Roll Call Vote:

Doug Baker	Aye
Sue Warner	Aye
Bill Goodwin	Aye
Mike Stenpeck	Aye

The minutes from the last meeting will be received at the next meeting.

First Baptist Church - Application for Special Sign Permit

Paul Aldrich, Business Administrator of First Baptist Church - our current sign is unsuitable, plus it does not have our church name on it. Getting complaints from members and people from the community saying the sign is very poor.

The Board reviewed the photos of the proposed sign.

Mr. Aldrich - bottom section would have variable digital messages. Top part has church name.

Our proposal is to put sign between two trees near Orchard street. Location #2 on the site plan. Then we would remove the old sign and discard it.

Mike Stenpeck - the old sign has been there a long time, what is code on that.

Bob Young - limit for temp signs is 30 days, that sign has been there for years though.

Mr. Adlrich - sometimes we move it around, but its been where it is now for a long time.

Mr. Aldrich added that they might not have funds for full color digital lettering. Might just be one color. As far as the lighting, top section will be lit all the time (name). Lower section which would be the digital portion can be turned off at night. Or both.

The Planning Board reviewed the regulations for special sign permits.

Chairman Stenpeck - I don't think this sign will negatively impact area. New sign will be an improvement. All agreed.

It was noted that the Traffic commission met and approved location #2 also.

Motion by Bill Goodwin, seconded by Doug Baker, that this Board hereby recommends to the Village Board of Trustees approval of the application by the First Baptist Church, Grand Central Ave., for a Special Sign Permit per their application, it being noted that Location #2 is what is being recommended. All Ayes.

Village Manager Herbst noted that the Village Board may require limitations on the lighting at night.

As there was nothing further to come before the Planning Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

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