

MINUTES OF THE
GATLINBURG ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN REVIEW BOARD
April 8, 2010
THURSDAY, 1:30 P.M., CITY HALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ron Smith
Steve McKinney
JoAn Trentham
Dan Booth

MEMBERS ABSENT

B.J. Byars
Ken Webster
Steve Reilly

OTHERS PRESENT

David Hale
Bobby Patel
Margaret Flannery
Dhia Anfatlawy
Steve Whaley
Kelly Merriman
Mark Trentham
Chris Tullock
Clark King

Staff Representatives: Ashley Miller, Assistant City Planner
Diane Townsend, Executive Secretary

Board Member Steve McKinney called the meeting to order at 1:45 p.m. The minutes of the March 26, 2010, meeting, were unanimously approved after a motion by Mr. Ron Smith and a second by Mr. Dan Booth.

Staff Report

Petitions and Communications from the Public

Old Business

New Business

a) Review and consideration for proposed signage (1 Freestanding Sign) for “Days Inn Gatlinburg on the River,” located at 304 Hemlock Street, requested by David Hale.

Staff presented the request for one freestanding sign. Staff stated that the request is a sign face replacement located on Parkway. Mr. David Hale was present and stated that decals will be placed on the existing plastic sign. Mr. Hale added that the sign will be internally illuminated. After further discussion, Mr. Ron Smith made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mr. Dan Booth.

b) Review and consideration for proposed signage (1 Wall Sign) for “Famous Fries,” located at 716 Parkway, Suite 110, requested by Margaret Flannery.

Staff presented the request for one wall sign. Staff stated that the letters are yellow trimmed in red and other letters are red trimmed in yellow. Staff explained that the shop is located in Reagan Terrace Mall and the sum of proposed signage is approximately 44 square feet. After further discussion, Mr. Ron Smith made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mr. Dan Booth.

c) Review and consideration for proposed signage (1 Freestanding/Mall Sign) for “Covered Bridge in the Glades,” located at 849 Glades Road, requested by Ira Grossman.

Staff presented the request for one freestanding/mall sign. Staff stated that the wood framed plastic sign has a white, internally illuminated background with green letters. Staff explained that a mall directory sign had previously been reviewed and permit issued in the proposed location, however the applicant did not install the approved mall directory but instead the sign currently before the Board. After further discussion, Mr. Steve McKinney made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mr. Dan Booth.

d) Review and consideration for proposed signage (2 Wall Signs) for “The Black Cat,” located at 726 Parkway, requested by Dhia Anfatlawy.

Staff presented the request for two wall signs. Staff stated that the signs have white backgrounds with a black cat image and black letters trimmed in yellow and red letters. After further discussion, Mr. Dan Booth made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mr. Ron Smith.

e) Aesthetic review and consideration for exterior renovations for a commercial building, located at 702 Parkway, requested by Steve Whaley.

Staff presented the request for exterior renovations. Staff stated that the plan reflects new windows to be added to the upper portion of the white section of the building. Staff further noted that the plan also shows new windows, doors and a second story balcony to be added to the log portion of the building. Mr. Steve Whaley was present and gave a brief overview of the project. Mr. Whaley stated that a balcony may possibly be added to the second story, however the construction of the balcony will depend on the tenant which leases the space. Mr. Whaley also stated that the existing garage door will be replaced with double glass doors. After further discussion, Mr. Ron Smith made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mrs. JoAn Trentham.

f) Review and consideration for proposed signage (1 Wall Sign) for “Zip Gatlinburg, located at 204 Savage Gardens Road, requested by Carol Muszik.

Staff presented the request for one wall sign. Staff stated that the sign had been approved for the previous location on River Road, and now Mrs. Muszik is moving the business and sign to Savage Garden Road. The Board asked if the aesthetics of the sign will remain the same. Staff stated that Mrs. Muszik has indicated that the sign will just be relocated from River Road to the new location of Savage Gardens Road. The Board discussed placement of the sign on the building. Ms. Kelly Merriman was present and stated that the sign will be placed on the side of the building. After further discussion, Mr. Dan Booth made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mr. Ron Smith.

g) Review and consideration for proposed signage (3 Freestanding Signs) for “Trentham’s Hardware and Home Center,” located at 526 East Parkway, requested by Mark Trentham.
Staff presented the request for three freestanding signs. Staff stated that the signs are sandblasted wood with a burgundy background and white lettering and trim. Staff noted that all three signs will be affixed to one sign post. After further discussion, Mr. Ron Smith made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mrs. JoAn Trentham.

h) Review and consideration for exterior renovations and proposed signage (2 Canopy Signs, 1 Freestanding Sign, 1 Wall Sign, and Super Graphics) for “Coffman Oil,” located at 1141 Parkway requested by Chris Tullock.

Staff presented the request for exterior renovations, two canopy signs, one freestanding sign, one wall sign, and super graphics. Staff stated that the building will be painted white with blue and grey stripes. Staff also stated that a sign will be placed on each end of the canopy and the sign face replaced in the freestanding sign. After further discussion, Mr. Ron Smith made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mrs. JoAn Trentham.

i) Review and consideration for proposed signage (1 Freestanding Sign) for “Smoky Mountain Scooter Rentals,” located at 415 Parkway, requested by Dale Chapman.

Staff presented the request for one freestanding sign. Staff stated that the aluminum sign will have a white background with bright red letters and graphics. The Board asked if there was landscaping beneath the sign. Staff stated that the plan does not reflect any landscaping beneath the sign. After further discussion, Mr. Dan Booth made a motion to disapprove with a recommendation that the applicant use greens and browns on the sign instead of the red and landscape the area beneath the sign. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mr. Steve McKinney.

j) Review and consideration for proposed signage (1 Wall Sign) for “Ripley’s Super Fun Zone and Candy Factory,” located at 812 Parkway, requested by Ryan DeSear.

Staff presented the request for one wall sign. Staff stated that the channel L.E.D. letters are backlit and the raceway will have metal and gear graphics. The Board questioned the location. Staff stated that the store is located between *Ripley’s Believe It or Not* and *Blaine’s Bar and Grill*. After further discussion, Mr. Ron Smith made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mrs. JoAn Trentham.

Unscheduled Items

Mr. Clark King was present and asked for a moment of the Board’s time to discuss his property at 726, 728, and 730 Parkway. Mr. King proceeded to express his opinion about the Board and the City’s authority over any development activity associated with the referenced locations within the City (See attachments to the April 8, 2010, EDRB Minutes, as amended at the April 22, 2010, Meeting).

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Staff handed out copies of an aesthetic complaint letter that was received by the City Manager. Staff also passed out the City Manager and City Planner's response to the letter.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 2:31 p.m., after a motion by Mr. Dan Booth and a second by Mr. Ron Smith.

Re: EDRB Meeting Information

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Subject: Re: EDRB Meeting Information

From: "CLARK KAY KING" <clarkkayking@bellsouth.net>

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2010 21:15:54 -0400

To: <dball@ci.gatlinburg.tn.us>

David,

As per Roberts Rule of Order, I could appear and read a statement from a written document, then ask that it be attached to and become a part of the records. If I need to do this in May, I will but I trust that no one on the Board or Staff could not wish the reasons for my appearance to become a part of the minutes.

I do not like getting into arguments as it is not good for my health as I am a type one diabetic. I only ask for the courtesy of having my comments to become a part of the record. I ask this because of the continual flip flop on the application of the rules and the Codes of the City on more than one of my properties. I am growing tired of all of this mess, and remember these actions were unilaterally taken by the City despite my countless objection.

Please take email if you will and give it to the EDRB asking that it as well as my other email you say you will take to the Board and respectfully request that they both be attached to and become a part of the record of the meeting regardless of the decision to amend the minutes from the last meeting.

Clark King

----- Original Message ----- From: "David Ball" <dball@ci.gatlinburg.tn.us>

To: <clarkkayking@bellsouth.net>

Sent: Wednesday, April 21, 2010 11:09 AM

Subject: EDRB Meeting Information

Clark,

As you have requested, your email request to amend the April 8, 2010, EDRB Minutes will be presented to the Board this Thursday, April 22nd for their consideration. The next EDRB Meeting will be held on May 13, 2010, at 1:30 p.m.

Thanks - David

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Diane Townsend

From: CLARK KAY KING [clarkkayking@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Tuesday, April 20, 2010 4:49 PM
To: DianeT@ci.gatlinburg.tn.us
Subject: Re: RE:

Diane,

I can not make the EDRB meeting this week. Dad's driving has been limited to 5 miles from home and Mother has a Dr. Appointment in Knoxville that afternoon.

I ask that this email be taken to the meeting for the following to be amended on the minutes.

1. My appearance was to inform the Board that last year a Building Inspector, Jan Lambert, approached me while painting the building at 726 Parkway. He informed me that I should come to seek approval from EDRB. After once again reminding the Building Official, Ron Greene, of his testimony in court, the request was withdrawn.
2. It is the feeling of the property owners that the City has relinquished its right to regulate the property due to allowing a fire exit to be blocked.
3. These issues were brought to the Board as we seek to have the City stop flip flopping on the enforcement of Codes on our property.

This request comes under the provisions of Roberts Rule of Order. I would appreciate these changes being made as to accurately reflect the reasons for my appearance.

Please let me know when the next EDRB meeting is and forward me a copy of the draft minutes of Thursday's meeting.

Clark

----- Original Message -----

From: Diane Townsend
To: clarkkayking@bellsouth.net
Sent: Thursday, April 15, 2010 1:39 PM
Subject: RE:

Clark, The next EDRB meeting is Thursday April 22, 2010, at 1:30 pm.

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From: CLARK KAY KING [mailto:clarkkayking@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 15, 2010 1:20 PM
To: dianet@ci.gatlinburg.tn.us
Subject: Fw:

Diane,

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When is the next EDRB meeting?

Thanks

Clark

----- Original Message -----

From: Diane Townsend

To: clarkkayking@bellsouth.net

Sent: Tuesday, April 13, 2010 11:48 AM

Clark, Per your request, attached you will find a copy of the EDRB draft minutes for the April 8, 2010, meeting. Please note that these minutes have not been ratified by the board. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact David Ball.

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