

**CITY OF MIDDLETOWN  
DESIGN REVIEW & PRESERVATION BOARD**

**MINUTES**

*August-13-2008*

**Present**

J. BIANCO, CHAIRMAN  
B. KRONENBERGER  
N. STAMLER  
M. STEWART  
J. FORTUNA  
B. SHOEMAKER  
B. PLUMLEY

**Absent**

J. FRAZER  
P. EVANS

**Also Present**

M. WACKERS  
S. KOVACH

The meeting commenced at 5:30 PM.

Jeff Bianco called the meeting to order and called for a review of the minutes from the July meeting. Ben Shoemaker motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Matt Stewart seconded and the motion was approved with Brian Kronenberger and Bruce Plumley abstaining.

Motion to the July Minutes.						
<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Jeff Bianco			X			
Patricia Evans						X
Jim Fortuna			X			
John Frazer						X
Brian Kronenberger					X	
Bruce Plumley					X	
Ben Shoemaker	X		X			
Nancy Stamler			X			
Matt Stewart		X	X			
<u>TALLY</u>			<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
Motion approved.						

Jeff Bianco called for public comments for items on the agenda. Seeing none, the first item on the agenda was called.

First, Michiel Wackers reported that the 13 West Silver Street application has been withdrawn.

Second, Jeff Bianco stated that the Newfield Street application was a temporary sign and the Board decided not to comment since their approval for temporary signs was not required provided that they complied with the requirements in the Zoning Code.

Third, the Board reviewed the proposed redesign of sign for Mikado's restaurant at 3 Melilli Plaza. The Redesign consisted of changing the color scheme of the lettering from white to green. Be Shoemaker motioned to approve the proposal as presented with the condition that a sample of the green be submitted for review. Brian Kronenberger seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

Motion to approve the proposal as presented with the condition that a sample of the green be submitted.						
<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Jeff Bianco			X			
Patricia Evans						X
Jim Fortuna			X			
John Frazer						X
Brian Kronenberger			X			
Bruce Plumley		X	X			
Ben Shoemaker	X		X			
Nancy Stamler			X			
Matt Stewart			X			
<u>TALLY</u>			<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
Motion approved.						

Fourth, a proposed sign for 85 Church Street was presented, that would replace an existing sign with one that had the names of the five medical offices included. The new sign would be two feet higher. Bruce Plumley motioned to approve the sign as presented. Ben Shoemaker seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

Motion to approve the sign as presented.						
<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Jeff Bianco			X			
Patricia Evans						X
Jim Fortuna			X			
John Frazer						X
Brian Kronenberger			X			
Bruce Plumley	X		X			
Ben Shoemaker		X	X			
Nancy Stamler			X			
Matt Stewart			X			
<u>TALLY</u>			<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
Motion approved.						

Fifth, a proposal for a ramp at Doolittle's Funeral Home on Old Church Street was presented. Ben Shoemaker motioned to approve the concept and location of the proposed ramp, but final material section and colors should be resubmitted. The Board recommended a rot resistant wood or a period looking vinyl composite material should be used, not a pressure treated wood. Bruce Plumley seconded and the motion was approved as presented.

Motion to approve the concept and location of the proposed ramp, but final material section and colors should be resubmitted. The Board recommended a rot resistant wood or a period looking vinyl composite material should be used, not a pressure treated wood.						
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Jeff Bianco			X			
Patricia Evans						X
Jim Fortuna			X			
John Frazer						X
Brian Kronenberger			X			
Bruce Plumley		X	X			
Ben Shoemaker	X		X			
Nancy Stamler			X			
Matt Stewart			X			

<u>TALLY</u>			<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
Motion approved.						

Sixth, a proposal for new signage was presented for Stop and Shop on East Main Street. Stop and Shop is proposing a new logo. Brian Kronenberger motioned to approved the new building and freestanding signage as submitted. The Board stated that they preferred aluminum letters for on the building. Ben Shoemaker seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

Motion to approve the concept and location of the proposed ramp, but final material section and colors should be resubmitted. The Board recommended a rot resistant wood or a period looking vinyl composite material should be used, not a pressure treated wood.						
<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Jeff Bianco			X			
Patricia Evans						X
Jim Fortuna			X			
John Frazer						X
Brian Kronenberger	X		X			
Bruce Plumley			X			
Ben Shoemaker		X	X			
Nancy Stamler			X			
Matt Stewart			X			
<u>TALLY</u>			<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
Motion approved.						

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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 Michiel Wackers, Deputy Director of Planning, Conservation & Development