

***RAVENNA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS***

*JEFF GAYNOR, CHAIRMAN, REMY ARNESS
BEVERLY HAYHURST, GARY LONG, AND JIM ACKLIN*

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The Ravenna Township Board of Zoning Appeals met May 12, 2010 at 7:00p.m. at the Ravenna Township Trustee Meeting Room at 705 Oakwood Street, Suite 105, Ravenna, Ohio 44266.

Jeff Gaynor brought the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call was made with board members present: Jeff Gaynor, Beverly Hayhurst, Remy Arness, Gary Long, Jim Dipaola, Zoning, Inspector, Carolyn Chambers, Zoning Secretary, and Vince Coia, Trustee.

On the agenda for the evening was a variance request for Resolution #2010 BZA 02, sign face that exceeds 32 sq. ft. and height that exceeds 6 ft. for Dollar General, 1352 East Main St., Ravenna, Ohio 44266.

Jeff Gaynor swears in Richard Stump, representative of Agnew Signs, 164 Annadale Ave., Akron, Ohio 44333.

Jeff: What size of sign are you looking for?

Richard: It's a 5 x 10 at 20 feet overall height.

Jeff: We have a height restriction, don't we? 6 feet to the top of the sign would be the normal restriction. This is similar to the sign that is on the Dollar General on the west side?

Richard: That's correct. Dollar General has a standard size that they usually put out; it's either the 6x6 that you see also or the 5x10 they usually put out, 99% of them are on a pole at a 20 foot height.

Jeff: I've been by where the store is being built and I don't believe you would want a 10 foot wide sign at ground level there it would block vision.

Richard: You see a lot of them when they are down low like that it makes it difficult for an intersection. When we first started chasing the issue and saw we only had monument signs here in the township, when I went to Dollar General they asked if we could apply for a variance, we would like to keep our 5x10 sign at that height limit. I know when Jim looked back the previous Dollar General we went through a variance also for that at that time we got the one on west; the restriction at that time was 17 feet. So basically the question they are asking this time is the 5x10 to keep it standard, they are going for their standard of 20, I am very flexible and would like to keep it as west has if nothing else, but if we can go for the 20 we would like that also.

Jeff: Anymore questions from the board or comments?

Remy: Ask the location of the sign and Richard pointed out on the drawing.

Gary: Were there any responses from any of the adjoining property owners

Jim: Not a one.

Jeff: Chair will entertain a motion regarding this application for the 5ft x 10 ft sign just short of 20 feet high.

Richard explained what exposure C means, it is a wind variance.

Gary Long moved to grant the variance for the sign and the 20 feet high pole sign.

Beverly Hayhurst seconds the motion.

R/C taken Remy-yes, Bev-yes, Gary-yes, and Jeff-yes. Motion carried, variance passed.

Jeff explained to Richard about the appeal time.

Minutes from last month's March 31, 2010 minutes. Remy Arness made the motion to accept the minutes. Jeff Gaynor seconded it, R/C taken Bev-yes, Gary-yes, Remy-yes, and Jeff-yes. Minutes approved.

Bev Hayhurst made a motion to adjourn, meeting adjourned at 7:15p.m.

Next meeting will be Monday, June 14, 2010

Respectfully submitted by

Carolyn Chambers
Zoning Secretary

Cc: Trustees (Coia, Artz, Gibson)
Clerk (Rich)
Zoning Inspector (DiPaola)
Board of Zoning Appeals Member (5)
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