

**TOWN OF CLARKSON – ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

**Minutes – July 2, 2008**

**PRESENT – Board Members**

Conrad Ziarniak - Chairperson  
Wade Radtke  
Paul Dittman  
Rick Sheffer \*  
Jackie Smith

**Support Board Members**

Ursula M. Liotta, Dep. Town Clerk  
Richard Olson, Town Attorney \*  
Larry Gursslin, Code Enforcement \*  
  
Excused \*

**CALL TO ORDER**

C. Ziarniak called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**OPEN FORUM**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Valerie Ciciotti, Applicant/Proposed Tenant  
Deborah Lee/Apple Tree Inn of Monroe County, Owner  
Requesting sign permit for gift shop @ 7407 Ridge Road, Tax Acct. #070.01-1-23.1**

C. Ziarniak opened the Public Hearing and read the legal notice aloud.

**Present on behalf of Applicant:**

**Deborah Lee**, Apple Tree Inn of Monroe County, 7407 Ridge Rd., Brockport, NY 14420.

C. Ziarniak asked the Applicant to briefly outline her proposal. She presented visuals for review, and explained the three (3) signs she intends to use for her new business, i.e. one painted mural on the N side of the barn; one painted mural on the E side of the barn; and two wood signs to be attached to the existing Apple Tree sign situated at Ridge Road. The Board calculated the exact dimensions of the two (2) additional wood signs with the existing sign, and verified that it was less than forty (40) square feet per Town Code. Note: the existing sign plus the two (2) new signs measured exactly twenty eight & one-half (28.5) square feet.

The Applicant explained her intent to have two (2) signs professionally painted directly on the barn. There is sufficient lighting at the street sign, and the barn has existing outside lighting. An additional light may be required after the new door is added to the barn.

Applicant was questioned re: the weathering of the painted signs on the barn, and she indicated that she hopes to prevent excessive weathering by seal-coating the murals; that all of the signs will be maintained in the same manner as the existing sign at the street and will be kept in like-new condition. Applicant further stated that the new signs at the street are to be made from the same material as the existing “Apple Tree” and “Restaurant” signs.

The Board was in agreement with Applicant’s proposal. C. Ziarniak asked for any comments from the public, and D. Lee stated that “she was all for it”.

C. Ziarniak made a motion to determine this matter to be a Type II action and therefore not subject to further environmental review; second by W. Radtke; unanimously carried.

W. Radtke made a motion that we approve Applicant’s request for the sign permit as requested and as per the drawings in the file; that the signs are each less than forty (40) square feet per Town Code; that the Notice of Decision shall read as follows:

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that on July 2, 2008 the Zoning Board of Appeals approved Applicant’s request for a sign permit for the Apple Tree Gift Shop, aka “The Potting Shed Gift Shop”, to include the following:

1. A six (6) square foot sign that reads “The Potting Shed” is to be added to the existing “Apple Tree – Restaurant” sign, and a one and one-half (1.5) square foot sign that reads “Gift Shop” is to be added underneath “The Potting Shed” sign; and
2. A nine (9) square foot sign that reads “The Potting Shed” is to be painted on the North side of the frame building; and
3. An eighteen (18) square foot sign that reads “The Potting Shed” is to be painted on the East side of the frame building.
4. That all signs are to be maintained in like-new condition.

P. Dittman second the motion; unanimously carried.

OTHER

C. Ziarniak thanked P. Dittman for taking over as chairperson for the last meeting.

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES

J. Smith made a motion to approve the minutes dated June 18, 2008; seconded by P. Dittman; C. Ziarniak abstained; unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT

W. Radtke made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.; seconded by R. Sheffer; unanimously carried.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting is set for July 16, 2008. J. Smith and P. Dittman stated that they were unable to be in attendance on the 16th. C. Ziarniak suggested that the July 16, 2008 meeting be cancelled, and a legal notice published to that effect. The Board plans to meet again on August 6<sup>th</sup> and August 20<sup>th</sup>. In the event there is no agenda for either meeting date, a work session will be held.

**APPROVED 8/6/08**

Respectfully Submitted,

Ursula M. Liotta  
Deputy Town Clerk