

Village of Walden
Planning Board Meeting
September 18, 2013

Chairman:	Stan Plato	Present
Members:	Jay Wilkins	Present
	Brian Sebring	Present
	Lisa Dore	Present
	Jason Trafton	Present
	John Duffy	Absent
	Ron Gainer	Absent
Building Inspector:	Dean Stickles	Present
Village Attorney:	Robert Dickover	Absent
Secretary:	Nancy LaMancuso	Present

Stan Plato - Called the Planning Board meeting to order at 7:30pm

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Stan Plato – Asked the minutes for Planning Board meetings 08/05/13 and 08/28/13 be table until next meeting (work session October 7, 2013) giving Board members a chance to review them. Next on the agenda Central Hudson Landscaping Plan.

2. BOARD BUSINESS

A. PUBLIC HEARINGS: n/a

B. FORMAL APPLICATIONS:

B.1 Central Hudson Landscape Plans, WM Line

Chris DeRoberts, Central Hudson, presented plans – I want to thank the Board for the opportunity to come in and review these plans with you today. This is in accordance with the WN transmission line project which you had approved some time ago 2009. We just wrapped up construction on the pole setting of the line earlier this spring and we've been working on these plans, there are a couple of revisions we went back and forth on. The relocations that we might identified, landscaping plans at the West side of Edmunds Lane, Coldenham Road near the intersection of Elm Street, Elm Street dead end road we have landscaping proposed at the intersection where the line meets on the street and also on Edmunds Lane. Revised plans indicate the size and arrangements of the different plantings that we have proposed, Fern Forsythia, and Fragrant Sumac specifically chosen for its hardiness, drought resistances and also that they are low growing and would work in accordance with the transmission lines. Obviously we can't have trees or other species underneath the lines that's why the lower growing plants are proposed. We have assurances in our contract with our landscapers these are going to be guaranteed for one (1) year. They will be setback from the road shoulder areas to try to prevent and damage from the snow plowing or traffic and road salting activities. We also have assurances from the landscaper in addition to the one year guarantee on the health they will be watered weekly the first month.

Checked on thereafter and will come back again in the spring to monitor the mature growth that they get.

Stan Plato – You said a guarantee for one year, what happens in the second year if they die?

Chris – That's a good question.

Stan Plato - My feeling is you should be responsible to maintain their growth, that's the idea of not putting them in one year and then forget about them.

Lisa Dore – Is there a certain percentage that die and need to be replaced.

Stan Plato – The idea is not to put them in so it looks good one year and then later if they die it's nobody's responsibility I think it should be as part of the landscaping plans to maintain them. If they are hardy then they shouldn't have a problem.

Chris – One year is standard. Our goal is to pick plants that would be hardy and able to survive. The one year is standard. We will bring that back and get it addressed.

Stan Plato – Yes, standard for a landscaper, but I just want to make sure that your responsibility doesn't end after one year. The other thing too, there are only three (3) areas I thought there were more than that, I don't see anything along Coldenham Road I don't see anything on the other side.

Dean Stickles – There is nothing on Coldenham Road. Coldenham Road come up to Elm Street a goes along and then there is a house right on the corner of Coldenham Road that has plantings in their yard and when you go across Coldenham Road that's were you have to have plantings.

Jason Trafton – In the installation what size you're going to install, the bigger the better.

Stan Plato – Fast growing would have been grown by now. I'm not familiar with the type of sumac you have selected, is it regular sumac?

Chris – The idea it's cheaper for the heartiness.

Stan Plato – Any other comments or questions?

Jay Wilkins – I agree, you should maintain after approval continuously.

Stan Plato – Just like you have to maintain your line, this should be part of that.

Chris – Ok, I will bring it back to them.

Stan Plato – Can you just confirm that back to us. I would like to get the approved so you can get them in this fall.

Dean Stickles – Can you come back in two (2) weeks with all that?

Chris – Yes.

Stan Plato – I would like Ron Gainer here. Do you have any questions of us?

Chris – No, I think that was it.

Stan Plato – So to continually maintain it, the size of the plantings you are initially planning on putting in, the numbers are down here too. Dean Stickles do we have an Arborist?

Dean Stickles – No, we could use Jason Trafton's knowledge for that, he's done landscaping and plantings.

Jason Trafton – That is what my degree is in.

Stan Plato – We will review this again the first Monday, October 7, 23013.

**Jay Wilkins made Motion to Adjourn the Planning Board
Seconded by Brian Sebring
All ayes / Motion carried**

Stan Plato – Convened that Architectural Review Board.

B.2 7 Main Street, Proposed Sign

Maria Fragoso business owner – Marias Cafe

Dean Stickles – She has provided a copy of a sign that she would like to put within the area above her store. That little area was approved many years ago by the previous owner who has deceased. You can look at the sing tonight and if you want to you can go to the property and to see what it would look like in the sign and then she could come back on October 7, 2013. However you want to do it. There are two (2) sign areas, one over 3 and one over 7-9 Main Street.

Jason Trafton – How is it going to be held up?

Maria Fragoso – By screws, Larry Degroodt is doing the sign and installation.

Jason Trafton – As long as it is something that will be esthetically pleasing to hold the sign in.

Dean Stickles – It has to fit within that box.

Stan Plato – We approve the sign as submitted with any fasteners that show match the color of the background on the sign they are located and that it does fit the available space right now, which is 24" by 96" which you can conform to and shall fit in that area.

Sign colors:

Marias Café Red with Yellow Shadow

Phone Number Black

Bottom Panel Dark Green with White Letters

**Jay Wilkins made Motion to approve sign as stated above
Seconded by Brian Sebring
All ayes / Motion carried**

Stan Plato – Next on the agenda is 60 Main Street exterior colors.

B.3 60 Main Street, Exterior Colors

Vincent Tortora representative - Handed out picture of building from the front with description at the bottom. Proposed color rendering for store front only and left entrance door for property located at 60 Main Street, Sec 306 Block 16 Lot 16. Colors to be utilized Benjamin Moore catalog: Maryville Brown HC75, Duxbury Gray HC163, White for ceiling, dark concrete gray front step. This is only intended as a rendering, colors may not reflect the actual. See Benjamin Moore Catalog. This is just a rendering to give you and idea of where the colors will go and of course the colors when applied will look different in the sunlight.

Stan Plato – You have two (2) colors marked on the chart but you have more than two (2) here.

Vincent Tortora – Yes, the ceiling which is white already we will just repaint and will use the white. It's just going to be the first story. The concrete step I will probably scrape it to make it look nicer and maybe paint it possible dark gray so it looks uniformed. The floor will probably be left as is and just patch up and missing tiles.

Stan Plato – The door you're not changing, not painting?

Vincent Tortora – Not the middle door, I think I will replace the side doors. Everything you see is white.

Stan Plato – What you are planning on doing is this color for the bottom border and the top and the inserts on the door are Maryville brown HC75 and the other one which looks like a green here but is really the gray will be the trim

Vincent Tortora – The door is in bad shape because we had a leak from Weedens building a while ago. They had no gutter so every winter the water was running over the top, so we're going to replace the door and remove the step and replace with new wood and paint everything with the scheme you have. The trim will be the gray color and the two (2) columns on the side.

Lisa Dore – The blue?

Stan Plato – That's actually a gray, its Duxbury gray which is HC163.

Vincent Tortora - There is a variance approved, so we are waiting to get some funds to do a major renovation. The whole façade needs to be done top to bottom, the whole roof needs to be done and the whole interior. This is going to be just something to make it look nice until we start. We will probably clean the windows inside, repaint the back of the windows they are now blue and it looks funny, we will probably use some tan color in the back to make it a little bit milder and put some plastic plants to decorate the windows inside

Jay Wilkins – I'm fine with it.

Brian Sebring – I'm fine.

Lisa Dore – Are you actively trying to rent this?

Vincent Tortora – It's not possible now, but in the future yes.

Stan Plato – If there are not other questions I would entertain a motion that we approve.

Jay Wilkins made Motion to approve with the Maryville brown HC75 and the Duxbury gray HC163 Benjamin colors as presented.

Seconded by Lisa Dore

All ayes / Motion carried

Stan Plato – If there is nothing else before the Architectural Review Board I ask for a motion to adjourn.

Brian Sebring made Motion to adjourn the Architectural Review Board

Seconded by Jay Wilkins

All ayes / Motion carried

MEETING ADJOURNED:

8:00pm

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

September 18, 2013

Nancy LaMancuso

Planning Board Secretary