

MORRISTOWN BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT -- MINUTES
July 14, 1993

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Gary Nolan; Theresa Breault; Rose Lambert; Ida Mae Anderson; Jean Wickart and Paul Trudell.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Ralph Wiltshire (Excused).

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR: Ken Sweetser

GUESTS/APPLICANTS: Veronica Hess for Charlie Hess, Sr.; Bruce Killian and Debra Mason.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairman Gary Nolan, who reviewed the minutes of the Deliberative Session held on June 23, 1993 for amendments/corrections. Ida Mae moved to approve the minutes as presented. Rose seconded. All in favor.

7:30 P.M. -- CHARLES HESS, SR., dba/HESS'S USED CARS, represented by Veronica Hess. Jean administered the sworn oath to Veronica Hess. Ms. Hess presented a proposed sign, which would measure 6'3" X 3', totaling 18 and 3/4 square feet, exceeding the allowed 10 sq. ft. for signs. Gary advised this would be heard under the Town of Morristown Zoning By-Laws, Section 470, SIGNS, Page 30 and 4468 of the ACT. Veronica advised that the plans were for a double-sided sign, to be placed 4' above the ground, suspended on two-posts, by A chain on each corner of the wooden sign, with painted lettering. There would be no lighting for this sign.

Paul strongly voiced his objection to the sign exceeding the allowed 10 sq. ft.

Theresa asked if they planned to also add their 'Fire Wood for Sale' business on the sign. Veronica advised no, that only the "HESS'S USED CARS" and Auto Parts underneath as they didn't have room on the sign for the wood. Theresa then suggested they might consider a sign similar to Voyer's sign on Brooklyn Street, advertising the Bowling Alley, etc., also, Pack & Park's Sign and the sign by Miller's Market on RT 100-S. Gary demonstrated the size of the proposed sign she was requesting and suggested that the suggested signage would be smaller and better serve their purpose for advertising, agreeing with Theresa these types of signs are easier to read by passing motorists. After considerable discussion, Veronica advised she would discuss the signage with her father and then speak with Zoning Administrator, Ken Sweetser regarding their decision.

8:30 P.M. -- DEBRA MASON was in attendance, advising that on Sunday, July 25th, she was having a get-together for both boards and the Selectmen at her residence; everyone is invited. Bring some munchies, etc.

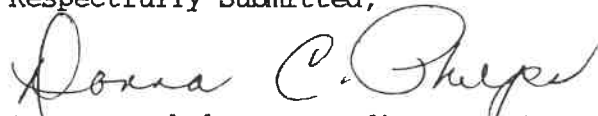
8:45 P.M. -- BRUCE KILLIAN was in attendance for an informal discussion with the Board to discuss his new proposed plans for a garage; that he has scaled down the size and has lined the garage site up with the porch and eliminated the need for some of the variances for set-backs. That before he formally submits a new application, he would like the consensus of the Board as to whether his plans would be acted on favorably. The members were in agreement the plans were much better and to re-apply. Ken advised if he submitted his application by Monday, he could schedule him for the August 11, 1993 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Gary advised he and Gloria went down to Robert Davis's to check on Board's request to clean up, etc. That the area is about 95% cleaned up; that some things still need to be removed and what does the Board members want to do about this situation, initiate the fines or extend his deadline. The Board was in agreement to extend the dead-line for him to move the remaining items behind the stockade fence by AUGUST 1, 1993, AND a dead-line of SEPTEMBER 1, 1993 for Mr. Davis to have the remaining junk and items completely cleaned up and out of sight.

Gary advised that a decision regarding the Duffy application must be made by JULY 28th, 1993; that Gloria doesn't believe the Board can request additional information after the matter has gone to Deliberative Session; he disagrees. Ken will contact the attorney that the VT League of Cities and Towns have on staff for an opinion, which is free or there will be only a nominal fee, regarding this and get back to Gary.

Jean made a motion to adjourn at 9:15 P.M.; Theresa seconded. All in favor. So adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Donna C. Phelps".

Donna C. Phelps, Recording Secretary
Morristown Board of Adjustment

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