

Present: Frank Riepe (Chairman), Deborah Kruskal, Dan Martin, Linda Wade
Absent: Tris Windle

Sign Application: Sorin Marinescu, 370 Boston Post Road

The applicant seeks to erect a freestanding business center sign identifying the building and three businesses housed there. The proposed sign is approximately 9' high with a 4' x 7' sign panel. The property frontage is 320' therefore the maximum size permitted is 24 square feet and not the 28 square feet requested. The Board also stipulated the sign be carved wood and not aluminum.

The applicant is told that with the approval for a new freestanding sign comes the requirement that the two existing freestanding signs be removed. The proposed location for the new sign would be at the front of the property approximately 3' inside the stone wall, not satisfying the requirement of a 16' setback required under the bylaw. The survey presented by the applicant does not show the stone wall and so it is difficult to know where the property line is.

The applicant agreed to bring the size and the materials into compliance with the bylaw and to remove other signs, but he feels he needs relief from the distance to the property line requirement. The Board advised him to go before the Zoning Board of Appeals.

The application hearing is continued to the Design Review Board's next meeting on August 23, 2006 when the Board has had the chance to conduct a site visit to formulate a recommendation to the ZBA.

Miscellaneous

The minutes of June 26, 2006 were approved.