

# Village of New Hartford

## PLANNING BOARD

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### PLANNING BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 7, 2014

#### PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Scott Williams  
Member James Crumrine  
Member Richard Fountain  
Member James Spellman

#### PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Member Barbara Goodman

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Police Chief Mike Inserra, DPW Superintendent Timothy Hughes

**VISITORS:** James LaFountain – All American Fitness Center, Logan Rogers – Norine’s Salon, Robert Corr - 4 Campion Road, Vince Singe – Dapper Dan, Geraldine Arul – Village Tailor Shop

- AGENDA:**
- 1) Norine’s Salon – 6 Pearl Street, sign application
  - 2) All American Fitness Center - 1 Campion Road – one-way traffic in driveway
  - 3) Dapper Dan Dry Cleaning – 4 Campion Road, sign application
  - 4) The Village Tailor Shop – 4 Campion Road, sign application
  - 5) Oxford Road Zoning Change from R1 to RT

Chairman Scott Williams called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Upon motion by Richard Fountain, seconded by James Spellman, the September 2, 2014 minutes were approved as submitted. All voted in favor.

#### 1) Norine’s Salon – 6 Pearl Street, sign application

Logan Rogers was present with all necessary information for a temporary sign for 6 Pearl Street. The sign will be placed in front of the building on the lawn. It is not a permanent sign and will be put out every day when the salon is open. It would be placed approximately 2 feet from the sidewalk which would not obstruct the view. The sign has the name, phone number, and “walk ins welcome” written on it.

The sign is a very professional looking sign, but temporary signs are only allowed for 30 days and Norine would have to come in and reapply each month. Temporary signs are not intended to be used for that purpose. This sign appears to be more of a permanent sign.

The Planning Board recommended putting a permanent sign on the porch in the future.

Upon motion by James Crumrine, seconded by Richard Fountain, the Planning Board recommended approval of the temporary sign for 30 days and recommended a permanent sign be applied for in the near future. All voted in favor.

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### 2) All American Fitness Center – 1 Campion Road

Jim LaFountain was present from All American Fitness Center to discuss making the driveway in front of their building accessible to one way traffic only. Traffic both entering and exiting the driveway has increased significantly and is a serious safety issue.

Everyone present agreed the area is dangerous with traffic entering and exiting. DPW Superintendent Tim Hughes agreed and said when it snows it makes the area even more of a problem. He recommended closing off the entrance completely and put up a barricade there. There are several entrances to the parking lot and that one is not needed. He recommended installing ballards and not curbs. The State DOT would have to be involved for a curb cut. The ballards are iron pipes with sleeves over them.

The outdoor tables at Café Canole would be safer there without the driveway also. The delivery trucks would still be able to get in and out of Café Canole without a problem.

Jim LaFountain explained that when he first bought the building he was asked by the Village Board to put up shrubs and that only made the situation worse entering and exiting. They have been removed.

A sign could be put up temporarily to get people use to the entrance being closed.

Robert Corr stated that he has decorative ballards and would be happy to donate them to the Village and would get in contact with Superintendent Hughes regarding them.

Police Chief Mike Inserra did not have a problem with closing off the entrance. The Planning Board also agreed with DPW Superintendent.

Upon motion by James Crumrine, seconded by James Spellman, the Planning Board recommended closing the entrance and installing ballards. All voted in favor.

### 3) Dapper Dan Dry Cleaning – 4 Campion Road, sign application

All necessary information was submitted for a sign application for 4 Campion Road. The sign is going to be the same size that is there now. Only the graphics are being replaced. The sign will be vinyl, white with blue and red lettering. They would like the sign to be back lit with LED lights. The Planning Board informed them that internally lit signs are not allowed in the Village. The lighting must be externally lit from the roof or ground. The size of the sign is "grandfathered" in but the lighting cannot be "grandfathered". The lighting has not been used in several years on the sign.

The lighting will be submitted at a later time for review.

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The Planning Board reminded Dapper Dan that there is a temporary sign on the side of the building that should be removed. Temporary signs are only allowed for 30 days and it has been there for several years.

Upon motion by Richard Fountain, seconded by James Crumrine, the Planning Board recommended approval of the sign as submitted for the size and color because it is "grandfathered" in. The signs will not be internally lit and will come back at a later date for lighting. All voted in favor.

#### 4) The Village Tailor Shop – 4 Campion Road, sign application

All necessary information was submitted for sign application for 4 Campion Road. The Village Tailor Shop was originally located on the first floor of 4 Campion Road and they have been relocated to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Dapper Dan is now occupying first floor and has used all available signage on the front of the building.

Because there is no room for her sign on the front of the building they are proposing to put the sign on the Genesee Street side of the building. The sign will be 4' x 6'.

The Planning Board has several concerns over this sign. The Village Codes states that a building can only have 10% of building frontage for signage in a B-1 district. The sign on the front for Dapper Dan has used up more than 10% of the building frontage because it is "grandfathered" in. Also the Gold Shop has a sign also. Other options should be considered for the placement of this sign and need to consult with Mr. Corr also. Mr. Corr feels the side of the building should have its own frontage available for this sign.

The Planning Board would like to ask Attorney DeTraglia for his opinion on this application and the Village Board. Would the Genesee Street side of the building also be counted as building frontage?

The Planning Board tabled this sign application until further review by Attorney DeTraglia and the Village Board.

#### 5) Oxford Road change from R-1 to R-T

Discussion was held on changing the zoning on Oxford Road from Sanger Ave. to Sherman Street (46 Oxford Road to 58 Oxford Road) and Oxford Road from Daly Place to Graham Ave. (45 Oxford Road to 59 Oxford Road) from Residential R-1 to Residential Transition R-T. There will be a public hearing on this proposed change on Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. Residents in the area have been invited to the hearing.

There was some opposition and concern regarding this change. However, after discussion the Planning Board agreed that this change would be beneficial to this area. Upon motion by James Spellman, seconded by James Crumrine, the Planning Board recommended approval of the zoning change as submitted. All voted in favor.

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The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



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Recording Secretary

