

MINUTES OF THE
GATLINBURG ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN REVIEW BOARD
December 11, 2014
THURSDAY, 1:30 P.M., CITY HALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ken Webster
Mike Anderson
Dan Booth
Chris Johnson
Tim Heinrich
Amy Seavy

MEMBERS ABSENT

Steve Reilly

OTHERS PRESENT

Lisa Radmore
Jessica Ellison
Hannah Helton
Jack Miller, Jr.
Mike Smelcer
Carol Muszik
David Dixon
Hiren Patel
Bill Dockter
Abe Malyani
Marcia Lucas

Staff Representatives: David Ball, City Planner
Diane Townsend, Executive Secretary

Chairman Ken Webster called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. The minutes, of the, November 13, 2014, meeting were unanimously approved after a motion by Mrs. Amy Seavy and a second by Mr. Michael Anderson.

Staff Report

Staff told the Board that the Annual Environmental Design Review Board Awards were announced and a power point presentation was shown at the Chamber Banquet. Staff also stated that the plaques and certificates would be presented at the next Board of Commission meeting.

Petitions and Communications from the Public

Old Business

New Business

a) **Review and consideration for proposed signage for “Tennessee State Bank,” located at 414 East Parkway, requested by Southern Signs.**

Staff presented the request for two sign face replacements for the main business sign and the ATM sign, featuring the new logo. Staff added that the plastic signs are internally lit. After further discussion, Mrs. Amy Seavy made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mrs. Chris Johnson, with all members voting aye.

b) Aesthetic review and consideration for exterior renovations for “Firefly Inn,” located at 208 Woliss Lane, requested by Jerry Parker.

Staff presented the request for re-painting the building in different colors. Staff stated that the metal roof would be Burnt Red, the doors and handrails would be Sierra Redwood, the soffit and fascia in Believable Buff, and the exterior walls Restrained Gold. After further discussion, Mrs. Amy Seavy made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mrs. Chris Johnson, with all members voting aye.

c) Aesthetic review and consideration for exterior renovations for “Ole Smoky Distillery,” located at 449 Parkway, requested by Hannah Helton.

Staff presented the request for revised exterior renovations. Miss Hannah Helton was present and stated that lap siding would be used and stone on the front entry gate. Miss Helton also stated that sliding barn doors would be added. Miss Helton explained that the slab would be brought up to grade and the building would be used for minimal storage such as lights and decorations, not barrels. Miss Helton added that a courtyard space would be incorporated and that the knee wall would have wrought iron and stone veneer to make the site clean, secure, and safe. After further discussion, Mrs. Amy Seavy made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mrs. Chris Johnson, with all members voting aye.

d) Review and consideration for proposed signage for “Greystone Lodge On the River,” located at 559 Parkway, requested by Jackie Leatherwood.

Staff presented the request to change out the faces on the two existing free standing signs. Staff added that the sign located at the porte-cochere, at night only the letters would be visible. Mr. Jack Miller, Jr. was present and stated that the sign would be similar to the sign at the “Riverstone Lodge,” in Pigeon Forge. After further discussion, Mr. Michael Anderson made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mr. Dan Booth, with all members voting aye.

e) Aesthetic review and consideration for exterior renovations for “Buckberry Lodge,” located at 961 Campbell Lead Road, requested by Mike Smelcer.

Staff presented the request for exterior renovations. Mr. Mike Smelcer was present and gave a brief overview of the project. Mr. Smelcer passed out renderings depicting materials and colors to match the existing building. Mr. Smelcer explained that the meeting room would be extended by the 24 X 30 addition that includes dormers, bay window, and board and batten. After further discussion, Mrs. Chris Johnson made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mr. Michael Anderson, with all members voting aye.

f) Aesthetic review and consideration for a commercial site plan for “Spider Net Games,” located at 201 Parkway, requested by Carol Muszik.

Staff presented the request for a commercial site plan. Mrs. Carol Muszik was present and stated that the three (3) story spider net course would be located behind the building. The Board asked how the course would be erected. Mrs. Muszik stated that the ropes would be connected to the

existing trees, with one pressure treated 4 x 4 vertical post attached to a bridge made of rope, with safety nets in place below. The Board inquired about parking. Mrs. Muszik stated that presently there are 15 parking spaces, but she hopes to add more. Staff added that the proposed business is located in a C-1 Zone, which does not require parking. Staff also stated that Planning Commission had reviewed the proposal at the November meeting. After further discussion, Mrs. Amy Seavy made the motion to approve as presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mrs. Chris Johnson, with all members voting aye.

g) Review and consideration for proposed signage for “Spider Net Games,” located at 201 Parkway, requested by Carol Muszik.

Staff presented the request for one freestanding business sign. Staff stated that the existing sign faces would be replaced and be internally lit. Mrs. Muszik was present and stated that the background would be white with black letters and graphics. The Board asked if the letters could be brown outlined in black to give dimension and the background be crème colored. Mrs. Muszik agreed with the recommendation. After further discussion, Mrs. Chris Johnson made the motion to disapprove with a recommendation to make the letters brown outlined in black and the background be crème colored. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mr. Dan Booth, with all members voting aye.

h) Review and consideration for proposed signage for “Country Inn and Suites, located at 431 Reagan Lane, requested by T & T Signs.

Staff presented the request for four signs. Mr. Bill Dockter was present and stated that the only way for their signage to be seen from Parkway and Reagan Drive, was to place white LED letters on the 4th story of the building. Staff stated that the sign would not meet the 25 foot height regulation. Mr. Dockter also stated that the applicant would like to have the name of the business on the directional sign located at Reagan Drive and Reagan Lane and a freestanding sign to be placed in the overflow parking lot. Staff stated that the request would still need to undergo a zoning review to determine if the request will meet the zoning ordinance requirements. Staff noted that it appears that the proposed sign square footage is in excess of the allowable and that there may be an off-premise issue with the freestanding sign. Staff noted that further research of the matter will have to occur before permits can be issued. After further discussion, Mrs. Amy Seavy made the motion to approve the aesthetics as presented subject to Staff’s review for compliance with ordinances and guidelines. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mr. Tim Heinrich, with all members voting aye.

i) Review and consideration for proposed signage for “Giovanni’s Pizza,” located at 458 Parkway, Suite 10, requested by Abe Malyani.

Staff presented the request for two business signs. Mr. Abe Malyani was present and showed the Board a picture of the proposed sign on his cell phone depicting the correct colors. The Board asked if the sign was outlined in black with red letters and green letters. Mr. Malyani stated yes. Mr. Malyani requested to put a projecting, internally lit sign under the eave on the Parkway side

and a freestanding sign on the East Parkway side. After further discussion, Mrs. Amy Seavy made the motion to table the request until more information could be presented. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mr. Dan Booth, with all members voting aye.

j) Review and consideration for proposed signage for “A Breath Away Gallery,” located at 458 Parkway, Suites 11 and 12, requested by Marcia Lucas.

Staff presented the request for three signs and an ornate objects and/or Christmas decoration. Ms. Marcia Lucas was present and stated that the ribbon would be burgundy, instead of bright red as depicted in the rendering. Ms. Lucas added that she wants to use metal for the ribbon, but for the time being, it is Mylar. Ms. Lucas stated that the wall sign, resembling Santa, is a cloud, made of acrylic, with a black background that has crystals, and gold letters. Ms. Lucas added that the awning sign is also black with gold letters. Ms. Lucas also stated that the pole is to be painted like a candy cane. After further discussion, Mrs. Amy Seavy made the motion to approve the business wall sign only. The motion passed unanimously after a second by Mr. Dan Booth, with all members voting aye.

7. Unscheduled Items

8. Adjournment

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Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 2:40 p.m., after a motion by Mrs. Amy Seavy and a second by Mr. Dan Booth.