

# DESIGN REVIEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 5, 2012 - 9:15 a.m.

Town Hall Annex,  
80 Doyle Road, Bantam, CT

**Members Present:** Jeff Savage John Honigmann, and Carol Bramley

**Members Absent:** William Ellis and Joel Peck

The meeting was called to order at 9:16 A.M.

## **DPZ North – 18 Commons Drive – Signage**

**4/5/12**

The sign proposed is the existing sign on the building repainted with white background and black letters. Dawn Blom, owner, was present and stated she would also like a sign hanging from a bracket on the building near the door on the courtyard side of her shop. Coloring and lettering to match that on the sign attached to the west side of the building.

C. Bramley moved a favorable recommendation for the sign as submitted and for a second sign for the courtyard to be hung from a bracket provided the combined square footage of the two signs meets the allowable amount permitted under the regulations as determined by Dr. Tobin, the Land Use Administrator. The motion was seconded by J. Honigmann and unanimously carried.

## **La Placa Oil & Propane – Torrington Road – New Building**

**4/5/12**

Janice and Jerry LaPlaca were present to present their preliminary plan for a propane storage facility with business office. The committee reviewed the site plan and Mr. LaPlaca stated the two 30,000 gallon tanks would be rotated to be behind the building and the building was going to be smaller in size than shown. The site plan is currently being revised for a wetlands hearing next week. Chain-link fencing and groupings of arborvitae screening shown on the plan were also reviewed. It was suggested there be a mixture of plant material to create a more natural screen and that parking and building design and materials be determined when the applicant comes back to design review. Mr. LaPlaca stated that environmentalist Michael Klein was working with his landscape architect to design the landscape plan for the site and that he is looking for Wetlands approval before engaging the services of an architect for the building. He will come back to design review when the plans are complete.

## **BraeVal – 503 Bantam Road – Signage**

**4/5/12**

Gregor McCluskey described his proposal for two signs, one on the building (6' x 15") and the other (about 2' x 3') located on a bracket attached to a tree in front of the building. Both are currently in place. Mr. McCluskey stated that due to the angle of the building and its being located on the corner of Bissell Road and Route 202 that he'd like a third sign on posts located in front of the building closer to the road for better visibility.

J. Savage moved a favorable for the signage as presented in design, color and size subject to the requirement the three signs meet the requirements of the zoning regulations, to be determined by Dr. Tobin, Land Use Administrator.

**Minutes** - Approval of minutes of February 2, 2012 - Motion to approve the minutes was made by J. Savage, seconded J. Honigmann and unanimously carried.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 on a motion by J. Honigmann, seconded J. Savage and unanimously carried.