

**VILLAGE OF KENMORE
PLANNING BOARD
November 22, 2022**

PRESENT: Bruce Shearer
Michael Foster
Colleen Donovan

Kathleen Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer

ABSENT: Andrew Ross
Robert Rumpl
Sara Schumacher-Marks
David McLaughlin

Michael Berns, Building Inspector

1089 MILITARY ROAD – SITE PLAN-STORAGE SHED

Board members reviewed a design plan for a forty by forty storage shed, which will be used for parts. The location will be ten feet from the neighboring property. Rain will run off the roof. There will be no gutters. The shed will be constructed of metal and timber, and will match the other building.

Robert Rumpl moved to approve as presented with the colors to match the existing building, subject to the Building Inspector approval.

Seconded by Michael Foster, and approved by all members in attendance.

2645 ELMWOOD AVENUE – ADDITION

Gary Hoch, applicant, is looking to add a three season sunroom on his property. The addition will have tinted sliding doors and will be approximately twenty-seven feet by thirteen feet. The addition will replace the existing canopy. The color will be beige or bronze and the roof will be a dark sandstone. It was noted that residential properties usually would not have to present additions to the Planning Board. This property, however is located in the General Business district.

Michael Foster moved to approve as presented subject to the Building Inspector approval.

Seconded by Colleen Donovan, and approved by all members in attendance.

2565 ELMWOOD AVENUE – BUFFALO CARES ANIMAL RESCUE-SIGNAGE

Paul Tate, applicant, was present. They are changing the two existing signs with the new business name. The signs will be vinyl and backlit. Mr. Tate explained that no animals will be staying there. Their business is not a kennel. It will be used for training, vetting and supplies. They train, vet and transport the dogs.

Colleen Donovan moved to approve as presented, subject to the Building Inspector approval.

Seconded by Robert Ruml, and approved by all members in attendance.

KENMORE HOUSING AUTHORITY PARKING - SIGNAGE

Robert Conway is present, representing the Kenmore Housing Authority (KHA). He explains that the lack of parking is negatively impacting the KHA, resulting in reduced funding from the government. Those looking for residency require parking. They are proposing the addition of twelve spaces along Delaware Avenue which will replace green space. Parking will increase from thirty-six spots to forty-seven.

Colleen Donovan asked if they will be adding electric charging stations and suggested that they include this in their preplan.

Robert Ruml moved to approve as presented, subject to the Building Inspector approval and recommending electric charging stations.

Seconded by Michael Foster, and approved by all members in attendance.

2853 DELAWARE AVENUE-RADIUS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Lisa Hilton is present representing Radius. She notes that the signs are already in place, but she has received word that they weren't approved by the Planning Board. These signs occupy full windows. The applicant was told that the Code requires window signs to take up no more than twenty-five percent of the window.

Robert Ruml asked if they were temporary signs. Ms. Hilton stated that she understands that the building department is currently allowing them to stay up as temporary signs, but that she wasn't them to be permanent. She says that without them, they will lose business.

Michael Foster was not in favor of a full-window "billboard" sign in the restrictive business district and noted that other businesses, such as Condrells had to remove full length signs.

Colleen Donovan said that a lot of the information on the existing signs is too small to be read, and if eliminated, would allow for 25 – 50% of the window being covered. She doesn't believe that elimination of the small text will have any adverse impact on the business. It was noted that the banks located in restrictive business district have window signage which complies with the Code.

Michael Foster moved to table the discussion to allow the applicant to come back with revised signage for the Planning Board's consideration. Meanwhile the current signage can stay up as temporary signs, but would need to be removed after that time period expires, if Planning Board approval has not been given.

Seconded by Robert Ruml, and approved by all members in attendance.

2555 DELAWARE AVENUE

The Planning Board had requested that the applicant be present at this meeting to review and discuss his sign application. The applicant was not present.

Michael Foster moved to table, pending applicant appearance.

Seconded by Robert Ruml, and approved by all members in attendance.

OTHER BUSINESS

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for December 27, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

Kathleen P. Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer