

**WETHERSFIELD ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
PUBLIC HEARING**

August 22, 2011

The Wethersfield Zoning Board of Appeals held a public hearing on August 22, 2011 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall Council Chambers, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, Connecticut.

PRESENT: Thomas J. Vaughan, Jr., Chairman
Daniel Logan, Vice Chairman
Matthias DeAngelo, Clerk
Mark Rudewicz
Frank Dellaripa, Alternate

ABSENT: Eugene Ziurys, Jr.
Morris R. Borea
Kevin Rogers, Alternate

Also Present: Brian O'Connor – Chief Building Official

Chairman Vaughan, Jr. opened the meeting at 7:00PM. There was no one from the audience who wished to speak.

APPLICATION NO. 6072-11 Theresa Cahill, seeking a variance to display a temporary banner larger and for a longer time period than permitted at 581 Silas Deane Highway, west side, B Zone (§6.3.G).

Theresa Cahill, 35 Falcon Ridge Road, Rocky Hill, CT appeared before the Board on behalf of Corpus Christi School, 581 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, CT. She stated that the school is celebrating their 50th Anniversary this year and also Pastor Campion is retiring this year. She stated that they will be having a Gala in celebration of this event at the Bond Ballroom in Hartford. She stated that this is a time for celebration and they would like to place a banner on the fencing between the school and the parking lot.

Chairman Vaughan, Jr. questioned how much larger the sign will be. Ms. Cahill stated that she was not sure of the exact size of the banner. Mr. O'Connor stated that the regulations are 32 square feet; or 4' X 8'.

Commissioner DeAngelo questioned the length of the banner. Ms. Cahill stated that it would be no longer than 25'. She stated that the fence is very long and it will not be the full length of the fence.

Chairman Vaughan, Jr. questioned if it is well off the street and if there will be any issues with site lines. Ms. Cahill stated that it is at least 200' from the Silas Deane Highway. Mr. O'Connor stated that there will be no problem with site lines adding that this is technically on private property and is well off the Silas Deane Highway.

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Vice Chairman Logan questioned how long the sign will be displayed. Ms. Cahill stated that they would like the sign to be up for the entire school year, therefore; from September to the middle of June.

Commissioner DeAngelo confirmed that the content of the sign will be celebrating the Anniversary and Retirement. Ms. Cahill stated that this was correct.

Mr. O'Connor stated for the record that the regulations on temporary signs are 32 square feet and 14 days maximum.

There were no further questions or comments from the Board.

There was no one in the audience who wished to speak in favor of or in opposition to this application.

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DECISIONS FROM PUBLIC HEARING

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Upon motion made by Commissioner DeAngelo, seconded by Commissioner Dellaripa and a poll of the Board it was unanimously voted that this application **BE APPROVED** as submitted with the following stipulations:

1. Banner must be attached to fence.
2. School accepts responsibility of maintenance and upkeep of the banner.
3. Banner may only be displayed during the school year.
4. Dimensions are not to exceed the height and length of the fence.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion made by Commissioner Dellaripa, seconded by Vice Chairman Logan and a poll of the Board it was voted (Commissioner DeAngelo abstained) that the minutes of July 25, 2011 **BE APPROVED**.

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DISCUSSION

Chairman Vaughan, Jr. stated that Vice Chairman McKee was not reappointed and he wanted to thank Vice Chairman McKee for the time he spent on this Board.

Chairman Vaughan, Jr. nominated Commissioner Logan as Vice Chairman; Commissioner DeAngelo seconded and all voted in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

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CHAIRMAN VAUGHAN, JR.

Commissioner DeAngelo, Clerk

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the minutes of the Zoning Board of Appeals on

Commissioner DeAngelo, Clerk