

**BOROUGH OF MEDIA
MINUTES
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
AUGUST 6, 2002**

The Media Borough Planning Commission met on the above date with the following individuals present: Chairperson Steve Moss, Gordon Grimditch, Robert Yousa, and Chris Pavlou. Also present was Code Enforcement Officer Jeffery, Vice-President Robinson, and Secretary Higgins. Vice-Chairperson William Payne, Peter Williamson, and Tina Mason were absent from the meeting.

Chairperson Steve Moss called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Chris Pavlou made a motion to approve the minutes of the Commission meeting of May 7, 2002. Robert Yosua seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Robert Yosua made a motion to approve the minutes of the Commission meeting of June 4, 2002; seconded by Gordon Grimditch. Motion carried unanimously.

Sign Permits

Yangtze Inn – 211 W State Street

Ann King representing the owner Gao Cao presented an application to place an awning sign on the front façade of 211 W State Street. The message on the awning would represent the restaurant's name, Yangtze Inn. Chairperson Steve Moss inquired to Code Enforcement Officer Jeffery as to the allowed signage per square foot of this building. Code Enforcement Officer Jeffery explained that the allowed signage is already exceeded. Vice-President Robinson suggested that the applicant approach the property owner, Walter Strine, and request that the Media Town Mall sign be removed in order to allow the applicant signage. Chairperson Steve Moss asked if the applicant understood the situation. Ms. King understood. Chris Pavlou made a motion to oppose application as submitted with the understanding that applicant will approach Walter Strine and request that the Media Town Mall sign be removed at which time commission may reconsider application; seconded by Gordon Grimditch. Motion carried 3 to 1 with Robert Yosua casting a dissenting vote.

Sovereign Bank – 2 S. Orange Street

James Manclolas, President of Bright Sign Co. met with the Commission last month and presented an application for signage at 2 S. Orange Street the Commission tabled the application pending the review of results from the 1998 Zoning Hearing Board meeting.

There were no representatives available at this meeting so Chairperson Steve Moss decided to proceed with discussion of revised plans. Robert Yosua motioned to recommend approval with understanding that they are approved for Sign #1 9 sq ft, Sign #2 Towing, Sign # 3 Wheelchair, and Sign # 4 57.25 sq ft. as shown on Exhibit 1 revised 7/10/02 submitted by Bright Sign Co. Inc; seconded by Chris Pavlou. Motion carried unanimously.

Subdivision

Twin Homes – 522-524 N. Monroe Street

Jack Coppersmith, Attorney representing the owners, Sposato-Rayer Builders, Inc. presented a plan to subdivide the Southwest corner of Sixth and Monroe Streets. The plan requires variances from section 311-22 (B) (1) and section 311-22 (B) (2) for lot #2. Jim Bevan, Engineer, John Rayer, owner, and Vince Sposato, owner were also present. Vice-President Robinson inquired to why they only need variances for lot # 2. Jim Bevan replied that lot #1 is larger and is within Borough ordinance. Chris Pavlou commended on the façade looking nice for the entrance into town. Robert Yousa motioned that Council not oppose application as submitted; seconded by Chris Pavlou. Motion carried unanimously.

Closing Discussions

Review of Sign Ordinances from other Towns

Chairperson Steve Moss inquired to if our sign ordinance was on disc. Code Enforcement Officer Jeffery replied yes and will forward copies to all Commission members. Chairperson Steve Moss requested that the Commission members' forward any revisions they feel is needed to him via-e-mail and he would make the revisions on behalf of the Commissions e-mails and would forward the results to Code Enforcement Officer Jeffery. Commission agreed.

Adjournment

Robert Yosua motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m.; seconded by Gordon Grimditch. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Lynn Higgins,
Administrative Secretary