

STURBRIDGE PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES OF
MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2006

Present: Sandra Gibson-Quigley, Chair
Russell Chamberland
James Cuniff
Jennifer Morrison
Bruce Smith
Tom Creamer

Also Present: Jean M. Bubon, Town Planner

A meeting of the Planning Board was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman, Sandra Gibson-Quigley. The sole purpose of this meeting was to act on a Request for Waiver of Site Plan Approval submitted by Old Sturbridge Village.

OLD STURBRIDGE VILLAGE – REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF SITE PLAN APPROVAL

At this time Eric White and Paul Wikes of Old Sturbridge Village met with the Board to discuss their proposal to have a temporary tent available for students to have lunch in when they visit the Village. Mr. White indicated that they had a temporary permit issued by the Board of Selectmen, but that would expire on April 28, 2006. They would like to keep the tent through the field trip season.

Mrs. Bubon stated that she did not believe that the proposal impacted any of the site plan criteria and therefore site plan approval could be waived. After discussion, Board members agreed that the proposal would not impact the criteria as stated in the bylaw.

Mr. White stated that they would also like to erect the tent in the fall and from that point it may become an annual occurrence. Ms. Bubon stated that in discussion with Mr. Cunningham of OSV, she understood that this was to give the Village time to evaluate the situation and perhaps construct a permanent structure. She indicated that she still did not have an issue with a waiver, but it was a different scope now. If this were to be an annual occurrence then perhaps Site Plan Approval should be done.

Motion:

Made by Tom Creamer to approve the Site Plan Waiver for the time periods of April 1, 2006 through June 30, 2006 and September 1, 2006 through November 15, 2006. The approval is granted for the time periods stated only. Any change in location, type or size of tent, utilities or the addition of other structures shall require that the applicant re-file the application for approval noting the changes.

Second :

Jennifer Morrison

Discussion:

None

Vote:

Unanimous to approve.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.