

Groton Sign Committee Meeting Minutes – 9/14/04

Committee Chair John MacLeod called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

Present: Members - John MacLeod, Karl Johnson, Joe Bassett , Peter Myette

Member Nominee - Roberta Erickson

Resident - Janine Doucette

August meeting minutes were unavailable for review.

The Committee unanimously voted to accept Ms. Erickson as a new member and send a memo to the Board of Selectmen recommending her immediate appointment.

The Committee discussed amending the Sign Bylaw to accommodate the signs at the Groton Dunstable Regional High School. A unanimous decision was reached not to amend the Bylaw. Ms. Doucette presented photos with dimensions of the entrance signs at the school and proposed that the Committee use the lettering area of 19.5 square feet on the walls to determine the square footage of the sign. The Committee will recommend to the Selectmen that all schools in Groton fall under the business use section of the sign bylaw by virtue of their building size. This would allow the schools to have twenty square foot freestanding signs and on building signs per building square footage.

Permit applications reviewed and unanimously approved:

- The Groton Dunstable Middle School – six square-foot free-standing signs for the North and South Buildings
- Groton Center Farms sign - the Committee requested that the applicant supply a photo or drawing of the sign with dimensions for the file.
- Lost Lake Fire Station – a six square-foot free-standing sign

Violations/Enforcement:

- Groton General Store – Chairman MacLeod presented photos of numerous product signs on the front of the building. The committee unanimously voted to send a letter to the owner to remove them. The matter will be revisited at the next meeting.

Miscellaneous

- Ms. Doucette announced that the Shakerton Foundation will be submitting a sign permit application for the old Sportsmans Club in West Groton.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.