

**Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting**  
**November 8, 2007**  
**ZA-16-07**

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| Members/Attendance: | X   | Hank Grover                           |
|                     | X   | Jim Burgham                           |
|                     | X   | Al Franceschelli                      |
|                     | X   | Jim Pluchinsky                        |
|                     | N/A | Maria Rutana                          |
|                     | X   | Bill Custer                           |
| Also in attendance: | X   | Bob Monus, Zoning Inspector           |
|                     | X   | Michele Richards, Recording Secretary |

Hank Grover called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**1<sup>st</sup> Order of Business:**

*Case #ZA-16-07 – A request by Giant Eagle, represented by Cicogna Sign Co., to obtain relief from sign regulations for a building mounted sign, for property located at 3130 Center Road, known as parcel number 35-007-0-191.00-0. Parcel is located in Poland Township, Poland, Ohio, in a (TC) Town Center District.*

Items included in packet submitted:

1. Application for Variance
2. Zoning Permit Denial Form
3. Letter of Intent
4. Warranty Deed
5. County Map
6. Property Description

**George Dragon**  
**4330 North Penn Road**  
**Ashtabula, Ohio**

Dragon stated that he is the installer for Federal Heath Sign Company out of Tampa, Florida. He does all the installs in the northeastern Ohio area. Federal Heath Sign Company does work for Giant Eagle and Get Go. Giant Eagle got the opportunity to get a state liquor agency at this location and the state requires, among other things, signage. Dragon stated this is the fourth store he has done for Giant Eagle. The letters will be illuminated, LED letters and will match the other letters on the building. The sign is forty-two (42) square feet and will be mounted on the lower fascia next to the pharmacy letters that are on the larger fascia.

Al Franceschelli asked Dragon if he installed the pharmacy sign. Dragon stated no. Franceschelli asked about the size of the letters on the pharmacy sign. Burgham stated the pharmacy sign has been there since the building was constructed.

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Dragon stated the letters for the state liquor agency will match the pharmacy letters in color but will be a smaller letter with a thinner stroke. The pharmacy letters are twenty-four inches (24") with a larger stroke.

The Board discussed the case.

Grover stated he does not have a problem with the request. The sign will blend with the other signs on the building.

Burgham asked Dragon if Giant Eagle has the license to be a liquor agency or if this variance is required for them to secure the license. Dragon stated Giant Eagle has the opportunity for the license, provided they can meet all the requirements.

There being no further discussion, a motion was made.

***Motion***

*Jim Burgham made a motion in Case ZA-16-07 to grant the variance request to allow for the installation of the state liquor agency signage as per the drawings submitted. Bill Custer seconded the motion.*

Voting:

Yes Bill Custer  
Yes Jim Burgham  
Yes Al Franceschelli  
Yes Jim Pluchinsky  
Yes Hank Grover

Motion carried.

**New Business:**

The Board had a discussion about new board members. Hank Grover stated he would like Al Franceschelli to reconsider appointment for next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Submitted by:

Michele Richards/Recording Secretary

cc: Trustees (3)  
Board of Zoning Appeals (6)  
Zoning Commission (5)  
J. Granitto (1)  
File (1)