

**Village of Tivoli
Planning Board Meeting Minutes
July 28, 2014**

Call to Order / Determination of Quorum

The meeting, held at the Historic Watts dePeyster Hall, was opened at 7:10 P.M. and a quorum was determined to be present for the conduct of business.

Planning Board Attendees:

Chair Mike Billeci
Donna Matthews
John Hallstein

Also Present:

Chris Murphy
John Molinaro

Absent:

Ginger Grab

Old Business

Site Plan Review – 53 Broadway (Hotel Tivoli): Chair Billeci stated that the applicant is asking for square columns, a change of railings and a sign over the entry that says Hotel Tivoli and a sign up in the corner that says The Corner. Chair Billeci stated that as a resident of North Road he finds it very difficult when he comes to the stop sign to see west on Broadway because of the two boxwood bushes that are there. He stated that he would make the site plan approval contingent on removing the bushes or making them shorter so people can see Broadway when they are at the stop sign. Mr. Molinaro agreed to this.

The lighting of the signs was verified that the *Hotel Tivoli* sign will be lighted from without and above as will *The Corner* sign. A neon sign is not allowed.

John Hallstein moved to approve the square columns, change of railings and the signs contingent upon reducing the plantings so that it does not restrict visibility of the roadway. Donna Matthews seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Skate Ramp in Tivoli Memorial Park: The Board discussed this application. John Hallstein stated that it would be a good thing to have the skate ramp in the park but not at the proposed location. It would be better to have it closer to the road, near the bus stop, especially for supervision and night time noise ordinance policing. Chair Billeci agreed. Donna Matthews stated that it is important that activities are provided to engage all the age groups in our Village and she has no problem with a skateboard ramp in the park. She agrees that the best place for this would be near the bus stop.

John Hallstein made a motion to accept the premise that a skateboard ramp proposed by the Village Board is a good addition to Memorial Park. Donna Matthews seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

John Hallstein made a motion to vote on whether the proposed location of the skateboard ramp in the back of the Park behind the ball field is acceptable. Donna Matthews seconded. Vote: Hallstein – no, Matthews – no, Billeci – no.

The Board, after walking the site in the Park, recommends that the skate ramp be placed closer to the road near the bus stop.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the June 23, 2014 Planning Board Meeting and public hearing. John Hallstein moved to approve the minutes as presented. Donna Matthews seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Adjournment

John Hallstein moved to close the meeting at 7:32 PM. Donna Matthews seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Claire Roff
Planning Board Clerk