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DEPT./BOARD: Town of Burlington, Board of Appeals
DATE: June 6, 2023
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE: Town Hall Main Hearing Room, 2nd Floor, 29 Center Street

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Chairman, Charles Viveiros, Vice Chairman, Mark Burke, John Sullivan, Joe Currier, Jeff DiBona, Clerk. And Ray Blenkhorn. Absent: Jeremy Harrington.

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Appeals Burlington, MA

Chairman Charles Viveiros called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

New Hearing: #23-12

6 Wayside Road – “School of Rock”

Applicant Mark Abruzzese explained to the board that he is seeking a sign permit to install two (2) wall signs to read “School of Rock” on the front and back of the building.

Vice Chairman Burke asked the applicant if the school is in the same space as the prior owner.

Mr. Abruzzese replied that his store is to the left of L.L.Bean.

Vice Chairman Burke asked Mr. Abruzzese if it's a smaller space.

Mr. Abruzzese replied it's about 2,500 sq. ft.

Vice Chairman Burke asked the applicant what signage is there now.

Mr. Abruzzese replied that there's no signage there now.

Vice Chairman Burke asked Mr. Abruzzese what size was the prior signage.

Mr. Abruzzese replied he doesn't know and that all he knows is what the guidelines are from his landlord.





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Vice Chairman Burked commented that the sign seems big.

Mr. Abruzzese replied it's about 18" tall.

Chairman Viveiros confirmed that it's actually two (2) feet tall.

Vice Chairman Burke asked about the sign on the back side of the building.

Mr. Abruzzese explained to Mr. Burke and the board that the sign in the back faces towards the entry way onto the highway.

Vice Chairman Burke asked Mr. Abruzzese how his signs compare to the other signs on the building.

Mr. Abruzzese explained that his sign is actually smaller than the sign in the rear of the building.

Vice Chairman Burked asked the applicant if both signs were internally lit.

Mr. Abruzzese explained that only the front sign is internally lit and the rear sign has a "halo" illumination.

Vice Chairman Burke asked the applicant if he's familiar with the Town's by-law restriction of no more than 90 lumens per square foot.

Mr. Abruzzese replied that he's not personally aware of any such restriction.

Mr. Sullivan commented that he feels the signs are the appropriate size for the building.

Chairman Viveiros opened the meeting up to a public hearing.

No public in audience to oppose.

Mr. DiBona motioned to close the public hearing.

Seconded by Vice Chairman Burke.

All in favor. (5-0) – (Chairman, Charles Viveiros, Vice Chair, Mark Burke, Joe Currier, John Sullivan & Clerk, Jeff DiBona).





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Vice Chairman Burke motioned to approve two (2) signs for 6 Wayside Road – “School of Rock” as per plans submitted and dated 1/12/2023 with the restriction of 90 lumens per square foot and no other signs even if by right.

Clerk DiBona seconded the motion.

All in favor. (5-0) (Chairman, Charles Viveiros, Vice Chair, Mark Burke, Joe Currier, John Sullivan, & Clerk, Jeff DiBona).

Chairman Viveiros asked the board if there's any other business matters.

No other business to discuss.

Chairman Viveiros asked the board if they had a chance to review the minutes from May 16, 2023.

Vice Chairman Burke motioned to approve the minutes as written from May 16, 2023.

Mr. Currier seconded the motion.

All in favor. (5-0) – (Chairman, Charles Viveiros, Vice Chair, Mark Burke, Joe Currier, John Sullivan, & Clerk, Jeff DiBona).

Chairman Viveiros asked the board for a motion to adjourn.

Clerk DiBona motioned to adjourn.

Vice Chairman Burke seconded the motion.

All in favor. (5-0) – (Chairman, Charles Viveiros, Vice Chairman, Mark Burke, Joe Currier, John Sullivan & Clerk, Jeff DiBona).

