# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts TOWN OF WILLIAMSBURG

# Office of the Board of Appeals

#### **DECISION**

In the matter of: The application of David and Laurie LaCourse for a Special Permit as required by Section 9.81 of the Zoning Bylaws of the Town of Williamsburg on the premises 109 Main St., Williamsburg (Haydenville), identified on the Assessors Map K, as Lot 8.0 a property owned by Poverty Mountain Partners LLP.

Date of Hearing: August 26, 2013 Date of Application: July 1, 2013 Date of Decision: August 26, 2013

Vote by members of the Board: Gerald Mann, Chair, In Favor Osa Flory, In Favor Donald Turner, In Favor

### **Findings:**

#### A. General Findings:

David and Laurie LaCourse operate a restaurant on the property located at 109 Main St., Williamsburg, (Haydenville). The property is located in the Village Mixed Zone. The applicants wish to paint and apply new letters on a business/commercial sign which has been located on the building at 109 Main St. since prior to their occupancy. The current sign is larger than current zoning by law allows without a special permit. (No more than twelve square feet in the Village Mixed Zone.)

### **Specific Findings**

At the Public Hearing David and Laurie LaCourse presented sufficient documentation and information that it is the opinion of the Board of Appeals that the proposed painting and application of new letters on the business/commercial sign be permitted. There were several comments received by the Board of Appeals by neighbors supporting this decision. One person showed a fifty plus year old photograph of 109 Main St. with a sign on the building. No comments in opposition to the continuation of the sign were heard.

#### Decision of the Board:

The Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Williamsburg has approved the Special Permit request for painting and application of new letters on the current business/commercial sign located on the building at 109 Main St.

## In granting this Special Permit the Board attaches the following conditions:

The Sign shall be illuminated only by shaded or indirect light of constant intensity, and no sign shall be illuminated internally or by flashing, intermittent, rotating or moving lights. No sign or light shall be placed so as to constitute a traffic hazard or nuisance. No sign shall extend above the parapet or eave line of the main structure.

A copy of this permit will be filed with the Office of the Town Clerk and with the Building Inspector.

Appeals from this decision, if any, shall be made pursuant to Chapter 40A, Section 17, of the Massachusetts General Laws, and shall be filed within twenty days after the date of filing of the notice of this decision in the Office of the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted this  $\sqrt{O}$  day of October, 2013

Received and recorded this 10th day of October, 2013

Town Clerk, Williamsburg, Massachusetts

Gerald Mann Chairman, on behalf of the Board of Appeals