

# Village of Canton Planning Board

## Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2024

Boardroom, Canton Municipal Building

5:30 pm

### Members Present

Chairperson Barry Walch; Kara McLuckie; Jennifer Girard

Recording Secretary Jeni Reed

### Members Absent

Chris Rotramel

### Others Present

Tim Nolan (Code Enforcement Officer); Joshua Vink (applicant, TAUNY); Brad Mintener (resident); Marilyn Mintener (resident); Gary Hammond (applicant, Bent Beam Brewery); Paul Mitchell (press)

### Public Hearing

The public hearing for the site plan review of the project for the proposed decorative arch located at the former Prentice Lane was called to order at 5:35pm by chairperson Barry Walch.

A history of the plan was provided by TAUNY executive director Josh Vink, and then chairperson Barry Walch opened the floor for public comment.

Brad & Marilyn Mintener, residents of 77 Main Street, Canton, shared some concerns regarding later planning for the alley (Prentice Lane), including securing furniture or removing it at night, cleaning and maintenance, and planning events appropriately. A full detailing of their concerns are noted in the written comments provided and attached to these minutes.

Gary Hammond, owner of an incoming business at 41 West Main Street, commented that it is great to see this kind of thing being developed in the Village, especially as a prospective business owner.

No additional comments were offered, and the public hearing was closed at 6:05pm.

### Call to Order

The meeting of the Village Planning Board was called to order at 6:05pm by chairperson Barry Walch.

### Agenda Items

#### 1. Final Site Plan Review - St Lawrence Suds (Bent Beam Brewery)

- After the original site plan review performed by the Village Planning Board, two issues were referred to the Village Zoning Board of Appeals for consideration - specifically a variance for setbacks and a

variance for impervious surfaces. Both variances were approved by the ZBA, and the site plan was returned to the Planning Board for final approval.

- Brief discussion of lighting plans and drainage concerns was held.

A motion was made by Jennifer Girard to approve the site plan; the motion was seconded by Kara McLuckie. All in favor; motion carried. Code Enforcement Officer Tim Nolan will now issue a building permit for the project.

## 2. Site Plan Review - Proposed Arch for Prentice Lane; Bike Rack for TAUNY

- A brief discussion regarding the proposed arch was held among the Planning Board members.

A motion was made by Kara McLuckie to accept the proposed site plan for the arch in Prentice Lane; the motion was seconded by Jennifer Girard. All in favor; motion carried.

## 3. Consideration of Sign Design with Backlit Letters in the Historic District

- A new sign design was brought before the Planning Board for consultation by the Code Enforcement Officer; the sign, if approved, would be installed on a building in the Historic District.
- Upon discussion it was determined that the Planning Board would enforce the expectation of overhead lighting casting on the building for lighted signs within the Historic District

A motion was made by Kara McLuckie to not permit this type of lighted sign within the Historic District; the motion was seconded by Jennifer Girard. All in favor; motion carried. Should this be brought to the ZBA for appeal, it was recommended that an actual image or picture of the type of sign proposed be provided.

## Approval of Minutes

Jennifer Girard made a motion to approve the minutes as written from February 22, 2024; Kara McLuckie seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

## Other Items

No additional items were brought before the board for consideration at this time.

## Adjournment

Jennifer Girard made a motion to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Kara McLuckie. All in favor; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:33pm.

## Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Village Planning Board will be held at a time and date to be determined at need.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeni Reed

Recording Secretary

April 25, 2024



Jeni Reed &lt;jreed@cantonny.us&gt;

## Fwd: PRENTICE LANE ART ARCH PROJECT

**Timothy Bacon** <supt@cantonny.us>

Wed, Apr 10, 2024 at 12:43 PM

To: Leigh Rodriguez <lrodriguez@cantonny.gov>, Jeni Reed <JReed@cantonny.gov>

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From: **Bradshaw Mintener** <bmoosemoss@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Apr 9, 2024 at 4:58 PM

Subject: PRENTICE LANE ART ARCH PROJECT

To: <villageplanningboard@cantonny.gov>

Cc: supt@cantonny.gov <supt@cantonny.gov>, <executivedirector@tauny.org>, <MDalton@cantonny.gov>, <asorensen@cantonny.gov>

TO: Barry Walch, Chair, Canton Village planning Board

FROM: Brad Mintener, Co-owner with Marilyn I. Mintener of the 77 Main Street Lane

Building abutting Prentice

DATE: April 9, 2024

When TAUNY Executive Director Joshua Vink came to me with proposed art arch drawings by James Gonzalez, along with some ideas for the use of the alleyway for community entertainment and other possible activities, we were enthusiastic about the idea.

As we have hosted "Music On Main" solo and group entertainment in Prentice Lane and had customers of my Partridge Cafe Under The Pear Tree eating at small tables in the lane, we have had a variety of experiences in the venue.

So we know something of the traffic sounds covering over some of the entertainment, where audiences can stand and sit to enjoy and hear the guest artists, and other aspects of Prentice Lane use..

Here are some areas of the project we would suggest considering

1. Tables and chairs to be stored away at night or be fastened to the pavement. If loose, night-time pedestrians could well use the furniture as missiles aimed at windows on Prentice and Main, or simply taken from the area.
2. We would expect to be closely involved with the planning of events and groups to utilize Prentice Lane, so we have a system and time-line for approvals. Eventually we would like to see a 6-month or more calendar.
3. Let's consider a high camera on the building to record comings and goings of pedestrians and events.
4. We would expect the entertainment and other uses of Prentice Lane to be held mainly, even exclusively during daylight hours.
5. Once the village's Grasse River island project is completed and entertainment is planned, we suggest coordination of event planning be under way between the island and Prentice Lane organizers for major productions held at same times on the calendar.
6. Electrical outlets for sound and other equipment need to be safely attached to a wall or box and worked into a village hookup.
7. We need to know who pays for electricity and other financial needs of the project on Prentice Lane?
8. Will all events and entertainment be volunteer-based ?
9. Where will spectators be placed and what will they sit upon, benches, if all would be expected to sit rather than some stand.

Finally, we need to know the roles TAUNY and 77 Main Street are expected to play in this project. This is certainly the best, traffic-free but an appropriate niche for activities along downtown Main Street Canton.

We have missed some major points to discuss, as we have never been to a Planning Board or Village Board meeting on this project, if such have been held. ..