

**VILLAGE OF WATKINS GLEN
PLANNING BOARD MEETING
June 17, 2009**

Present: Joe Fazzary, Amedeo Fraboni, John Vona, Tom Fitzgerald and Kevin Smith. Also present was Gordon Wright, Donna J. Beardsley, Trustee Smagner and Mayor Phillips, along with 3 other people.

Chairman Fazzary called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

New Business

1. Preliminary Site Plan – Addition to Watkins Glen Harbor Hotel

Norbert Hausner, architect for the Watkins Glen Harbor Hotel reviewed the proposed plans for the addition to the hotel. He noted all changes and additions and indicated that many of the historic features of the Seneca Market building will be brought back. He answered questions from the Board.

The Chairman, at the direction of the Board, will write a letter to the ZBA encouraging them to approve the variance that the Hotel has requested.

Updates:

Gordon reviewed all changes that have taken place at Walmart.

Gordon informed the Board that the former Bianco's Restaurant will be opening under new ownership as BV's Corner Bar & Grill. He explained the changes that will be taking place, which will include a large porch/deck to allow for outside dining.

Gordon stated that Henry Lembeck is grubbing the property that is designated for sale to a developer who intends to construct town houses.

Jim Guild was issued a Certificate of Occupancy for his Famous Brands building additions. At present he is only working on the first floor of the former Ace Hardware Building

Gordon noted that the House of Hong opened and is very nice.

Seneca Clipper hotel has been totally renovated and the parking lot repaved.

Shared Services building is moving along nicely.

Benedict project will not get underway in full force until the Village departments are moved out.

Minutes:

Amedeo made the motion to accept the minutes of January 21, 2009. Tom seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

Amedeo made the motion to adjourn at 7:58 pm. Kevin Smith seconded the Motion. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

DONNA J. BEARDSLEY
RECORDING SECRETARY