

Charter Township of Filer  
**Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing**  
Filer Township Hall  
2505 Filer City Rd., Manistee, MI 49660  
**February 16, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

Present: Jennifer Williams, Ron Gutowski, Elizabeth Allen

Also Present: Larry Thompson, Zoning Administrator, Mitchell Conroy of Bear Sign Company for NuVu, Jim Vantol of Postema Sign and Graphics for Weesies.

Meeting called to order and Pledge of Allegiance at 4:00 p.m.

Election of Officers:

Motion by Gutowski, seconded by Allen to nominate Jennifer Williams as Chair. All in favor. M/C

Motion by Williams, seconded by Allen to nominate Ron Gutowski as Vice-Chair. All in favor. M/C

Motion by Gutowski, seconded by Williams to nominate Elizabeth Allen as Secretary. All in favor. M/C

Motion by Gutowski, seconded by Williams to approve the presented Regular Meeting Minutes held on January 18, 2022. All in favor. M/C

**Case #21622-1**            NuVu Fuels  
                                 1586 Manistee Hwy.  
                                 Manistee, MI, 49660  
                                 Filer Township, Manistee County  
                                 Parcel #51-06-113-425-06

Applicant is requesting a variance for an oversize and adequate sign. Variance was for canopy signs, located at 1586 Manistee Hwy. (US-31) on parcel #51-06-113-425-06 that are over 15% total area. The sign is similar to Family Fare. The LED signs will be located on the North & South end of the existing canopy. Conditions include: Must comply to signs regulations 31.10.1060 C. General Provisions h. Signs having flashing, blinking, or running type lights and all other, Township, State and Local regulations that may apply. If there are any complaints on brightness of the LED sign it must be addressed.

Chairperson Williams called for Public Comment: NuVu Representative agreed to the above.

Motion by Gutowski, seconded by Allen for approval of a sign variance with above conditions. Roll Call Vote: Gutowski-yes, Allen-yes, Williams-yes. 3 Yeas, 0 Nays. M/C

No other correspondence was received prior to the hearing.

**Case #21622-2**            Weesies Brothers  
                                 3691 Grant Hwy.  
                                 Manistee, MI 49660  
                                 Filer Township, Manistee County  
                                 Parcel #51-06-030-325-02

Applicant is requesting a variance for a sign located at 3691 Grant Highway (Weesie Brothers) Parcel #51-06-030-325-02. Variance is a request for a 52 sq. ft. (allowed 42 sq ft.) and an 8 ft. (allowed 6 ft.) lighted monument sign to replace a 10 ft. existing pole, unlighted sign. Conditions: Must comply to setbacks (property line).

31.10.1060 – C. General Provisions h. Signs having flashing, blinking and running type lights and all other Township, State and Local regulations that may apply. If there are any complaints on brightness for the LED it must be addressed. Discussion on signs in the area.

Chairperson Williams called for Public Comment: Weesies Representative agreed to the above.

Motion by Allen, seconded by Gutowski for approval of a sign variance with the above conditions  
Roll Call Vote: Allen-yes, Gutowski-yes, Williams-yes. 3 Yeas, 0 Nays. M/C

Chairperson Williams called for Public Comment: Walter Patrick approved of the sign.

No other correspondence was received prior to the hearing.

No other business to come before the Board.

Motion by Alen, seconded by Gutowski to adjourn the hearing. All in favor. M/C

Hearing adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Allen, Secretary  
Zoning Board of Appeals