

APPLICATION FORM

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AND ZONING APPEALS ACTION

(See Boone County Zoning Regulations).

SECTION A (To be completed by applicant)

- 1. (Check One) Boone _____ Florence _____ Walton _____ Union _____
- 2. (Check One) Conditional Use Permit _____ Variance _____ Appeal _____
Change in Non-Conforming Use _____
- 3. Applicant's Name The Drees Co.
Phone Number 341-0355
Applicant's Address 211 Grandview Dr.
Ft. Mitchell Ky. 41017
City State Zip
- 4. Description of Request: To place a community
direction sign at the corner of the Square D
entrance of Rt 18
- 5. Name of Development _____
- 6. Location of Development Rt. 18
- 7. Acreage Under Review _____
- 8. Lot Number and Name of Subdivision (if part of a subdivision) _____
- 9. Owner of Property Square D Corp.
Phone Number 371-2470
- 10. Address of Property Owner 1100 Burlington Pike
Florence Ky 41042
City State Zip
- 11. Proposed Use(s) On Site Sign
- 12. Total Square Footage of Existing and/or Proposed Buildings
None
- 13. Current Zoning on Property L-1
- 14. Deed Book 234 Page No. 296 Group No. 2053A
- 15. Is the site subject to a zone change? No
If yes, give date of approval _____
- 16. Have you submitted a Site Plan with this request? Yes
- 17. Have you submitted a list of adjoining property owners with this request? Yes
- 18. Applicant's Signature: Richard M. Drees - Div. Mgr. DREES Co.
- 19. Property Owner's Signature: Richard M. Drees

STAFF REPORT

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APPLICANT: The Drees Company
REQUEST: Conditional Use Permit, Variance
LOCATION: 1100 Burlington Pike, Boone County
ZONE: Industrial One (I-1)
DATE: July 11, 1990

REMARKS:

The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit to allow the installation of an off-premises sign and a Variance to allow the sign closer than 1,760 feet from an existing off-premises sign. The 54.6 acre site, located on the north side of Burlington Pike, across from the eastern entrance to Boone Aire Road (Square D property), is zoned Industrial One (I-1) and is owned by the Square D Corporation.

The applicant is proposing to install a fifteen (15) square foot, five (5) foot high sign at the eastern edge of Square D's property to advertise The Links subdivision, which is located off Boone Aire Road. This sign is intended to be located one-hundred (100) feet off of the KY 18 right-of-way, which is the minimum distance for such a sign visible from any thoroughfare other than an interstate. The sign is proposed to be located across the street from an existing billboard at 1099 Burlington Pike. The Variance is requested since the zoning regulations require:

Off-premises signs shall not be permitted at intervals of less than one thousand seven hundred and sixty (1,760) feet, measured along the centerline of each interstate highway or thoroughfare from which the sign will be visible, between lines through the center of the signs and perpendicular or radial to said centerline.

The following is Staff's review of the general standards applicable to all conditional uses:

1. The 1990 Boone County Comprehensive Plan makes no specific mention of off-premises signs. However, the following text from the land use element describe the Plan's view of signs in general:

Design, Signs, and Historic Preservation: developments in Boone County should give consideration to the overall design of the project. Design should be a primary concern at the early stages of the development, with an emphasis on the aesthetic impact of the proposed use. The minimal use of signs is encouraged; signage should be adequate to identify a specific development, but should not be used as a means to compete for motorist attention. The objective is to avoid the confusion and/or distraction of motorists, and to avoid the potential negative impacts of signs on the visual appearance of a development or corridor.... (p. 201)

2. The sign, as designed, should be harmonious in appearance with the existing or intended character of the general vicinity.
3. Such a sign will not be hazardous to existing or future neighboring uses.
4. The sign is in no need of essential public facilities, such as police or fire protection.
5. The sign will not create additional excessive requirements at public cost for public improvements.
6. An off-premise sign does not involve uses, activities, processes, materials, equipment, or conditions of operation which will be detrimental to any persons, property, or the general welfare.
7. A review of vehicular approaches to the sign is not applicable.

The applicant will argue that this sign is necessary from marketing and traffic safety standpoints. In other words, since The Links subdivision is located so far from the main thoroughfare in the area (KY 18), and is accessible only from a poorly marked and poorly designed intersection (Boone Aire at KY 18), the sign is needed. The applicant will be able to expand upon these ideas at the meeting.

The Board should consider the implications of an approval for this sign. There are a number of other developments which are accessible from Boone Aire Road (eg. Boone Aire Country Club and Estates, Boone Aire Estates, The Glens of Oakbrook, the Boone Aire Condominiums, and the recently approved Fountain Crest Condominiums at the old country club site). If this sign is allowed, developers of these residential areas may request the same consideration. Further, if this permit is approved, builders of commercial, office, or industrial developments which are located "off the beaten path" may expect permission for off-premise signs to direct their customers throughout the county.

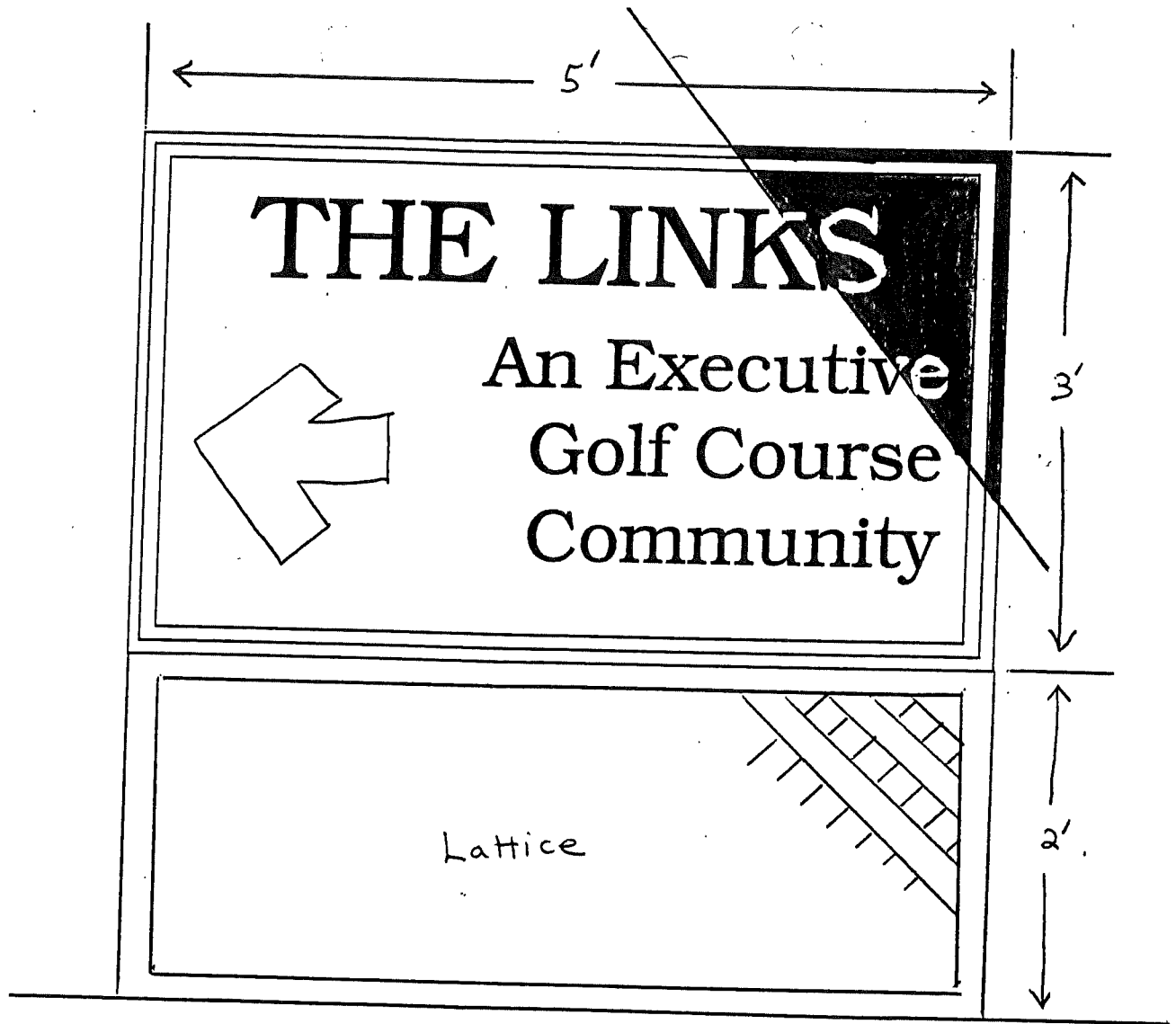
The Planning Commission is currently working with the Home Builders Association regarding violations of the off-premise sign section of the zoning regulations. Various builders, including the applicant, have been posting such small signs throughout the county, particularly on utility poles. These signs are not only a violation of the zoning regulations; they create a hazard to utility workers. At this writing, no alternatives have been presented. However, Staff is confident that a compromise, in the form of an amendment to the zoning text, will allow off-premise signs for new residential developments. The only legal means to install such signs under the current regulations is to obtain a Conditional Use Permit from the Board.

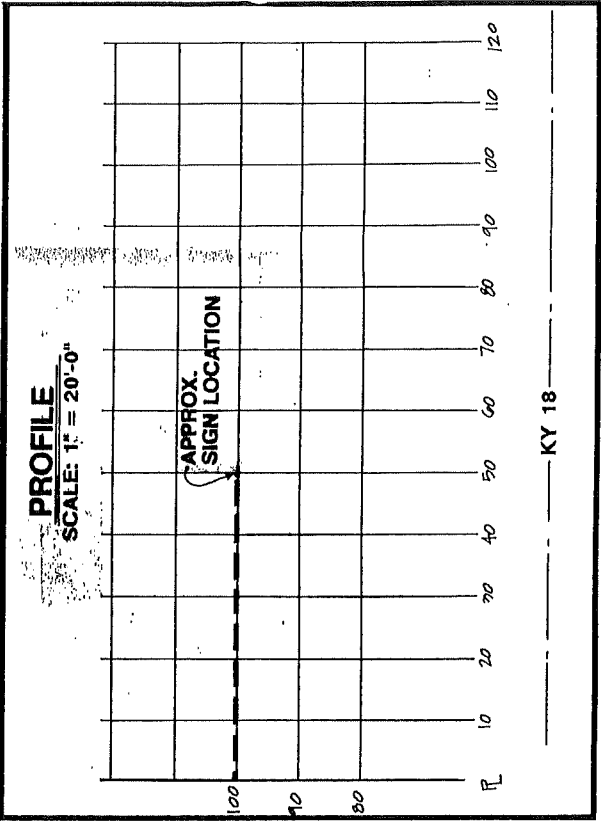
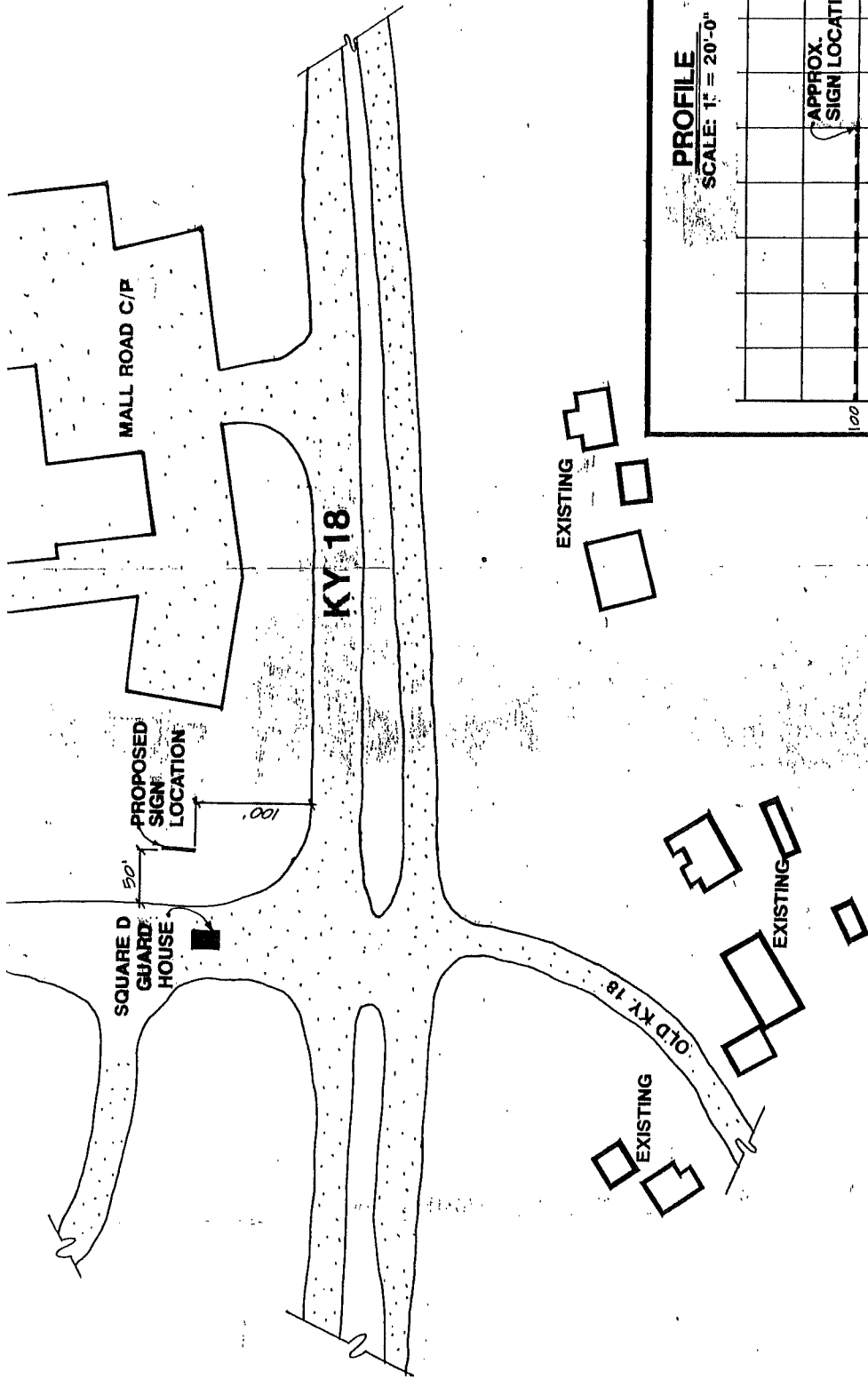
Respectfully submitted,



Thomas W. Breidenstein
Zoning Enforcement Officer

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PLAN VIEW OF PROPOSED SIGN LOCATION

Drees 7-11-90

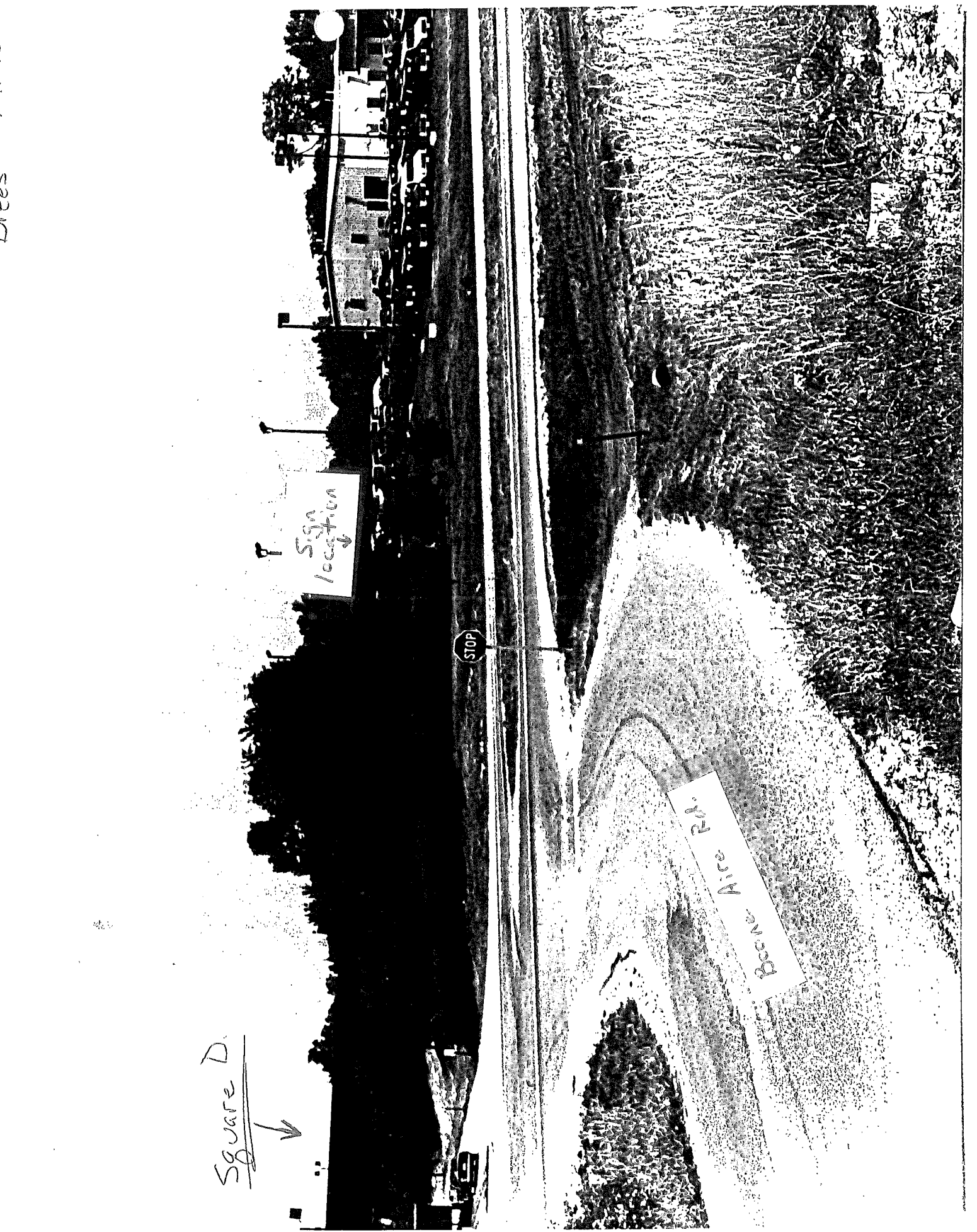
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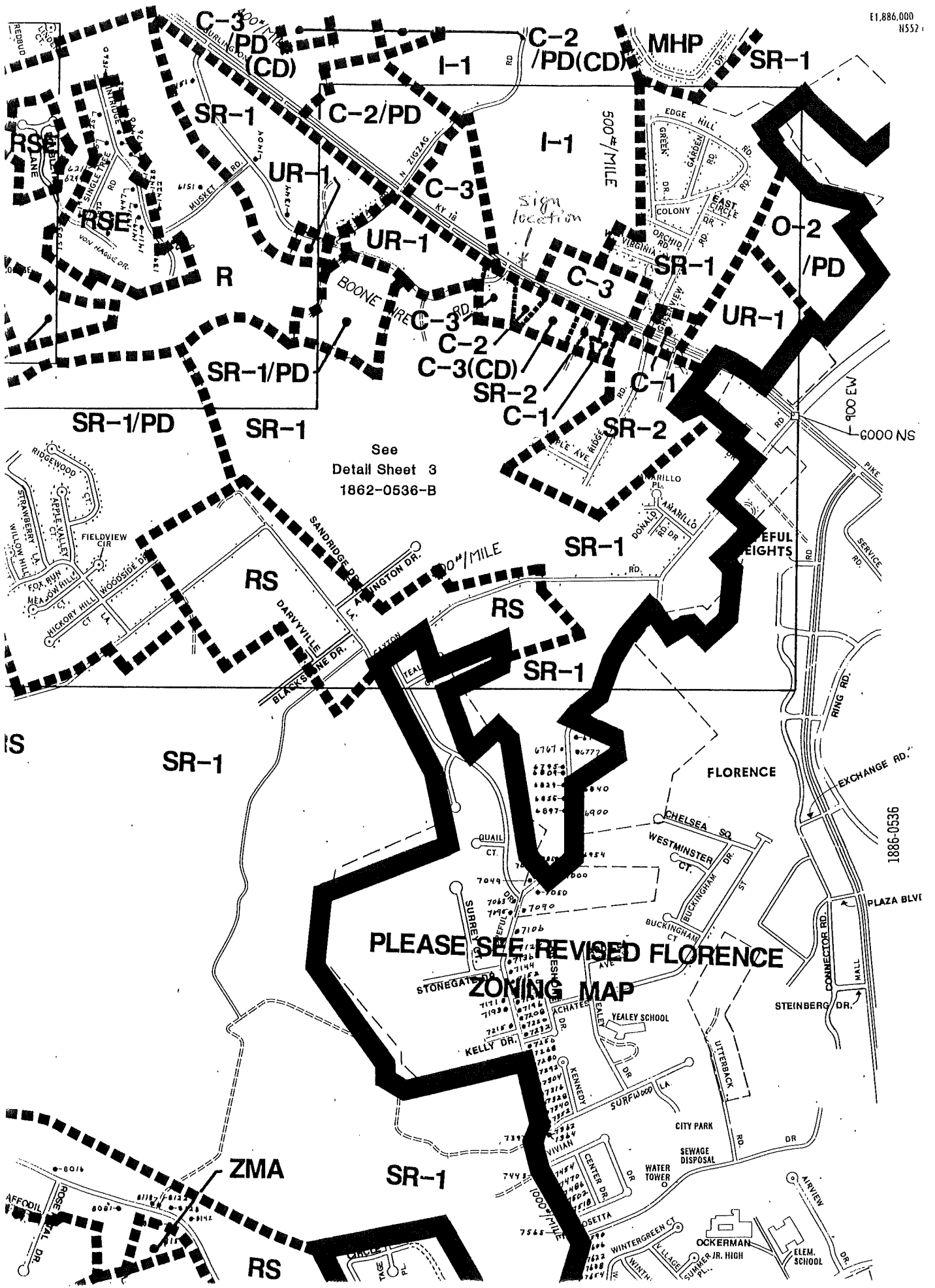
Square D.
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Sign location
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STOP

Beehive Rd.
Aice Rd.





BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
BUSINESS MEETING

July 11, 1990 - 6:30 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Dan Houston
Mr. Walt Ryan
Mr. George Whitton, Chairman

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Mr. I. A. Archambault
Mr. Fred Nevel

LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT:

Larry Dillon

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Whitton at 6:40 P.M..

Agenda Items:

1. The request of Mark Waller for a Change in Non-Conforming Use to allow the replacement of a mobile home from the southern portion of a 305.5-acre farm to the northern portion. The property, which is located on the south side of Waller Road, west of Munk Road, is owned by Marion Waller and is zoned Agricultural Estate (A-2).

Staff Member, Tom Breidenstein, presented the Staff Report which included a slide presentation (see Staff Report).

Chairman Whitton asked if there was anyone present in behalf of the request.

Mr. David Koenig advised that he was present in behalf of the request, along with Mark and Angie Waller, who are the occupants of the mobile home, and Mike Collins.

Mr. Koenig stated that in 1984/1985, there were about eight mobile homes on the property. There are currently five or six mobile homes, with two being occupied. The homes which are not occupied now, will not be occupied in the future. Mr. Mark Waller interrupted and stated that there will be three or four mobile homes.

Mr. Koenig emphasized that the use is diminishing. He stated that the mobile home occupied by Mr. Waller and his family was moved and, unknown to him, it was in violation of the zoning ordinance. He stated that the applicant is willing to agree to a condition that there will be no other mobile homes on the northern part of the property. This is the first mobile home on the northern part of the site.

Mr. Ryan stated that the other mobile homes are in Gallatin County, and only this one is in Boone County.

Mr. Waller stated that this is a temporary residence and he hopes to build a house in the future. He does not have a timeframe at this time.

Chairman Whitton asked if there was anyone else present who wished to speak. There being no response, he asked if there were any comments from the Board.

There being no further discussion, Mr. Ryan moved that the request be granted subject to the condition that there be no more than four mobile homes on the farm and no additional mobile homes in Boone County. He stated that this is not an expansion of a non-conforming use as there will be no more mobile homes on the farm. Mr. Houston seconded the motion.

Mr. Houston questioned if it should be indicated in the motion that this is a temporary use. Mr. Ryan stated that the motion is as stated.

Chairman Whitton asked for a vote on the motion made by Mr. Ryan and it carried unanimously.

2. The request of The Drees Company for a Conditional Use Permit to allow the installation of an off-premises sign and a Variance to allow the sign closer than 1,760 feet from an existing off-premises sign. The 54.6-acre site, located on the north side of Burlington Pike, across from the eastern entrance to Boone Aire Road (Square D Property), is zoned Industrial One (I-1) and is owned by the Square D Corporation.

Staff Member, Tom Breidenstein, presented the Staff Report which included a slide presentation (see Staff Report).

Chairman Whitton asked if there was anyone present in behalf of the request.

Mr. Bruce King of the Drees Company stated that his main concern is not traffic, but selling houses and having a sign that people can use to get back to the houses. He stated that Mr. Barrett of the Square D Corporation readily agreed to the sign as they have been having some problems with traffic leaving. He stated that the sign might give the traffic more time to go over to the left and get on Boone Aire Road. He stated that construction of the turning lane has begun. They are hosting the Homefest Show this summer and there will be a tremendous amount of traffic going down the road. The sign is not promoting The Drees Company, or the other builders in the show, but it is a directional

sign. He stated that a lot of the communities back there this sign on their advertisements.

In response to questions from Chairman Whitton, Mr. King stated that they are not competing for attention or promoting their company. The sign should not be looked at as a billboard sign. He added that this sign request has taken up several weeks of his time. He and their architect and others could not understand the regulations.

Chairman Whitton stated that signage in the county is a sensitive issue. He advised that the Homebuilders' Association and the Staff are negotiating on signage in regard to the update of the Comprehensive Plan.

Chairman Whitton asked if there was anyone else present who wished to speak. There being no response, he asked if there were any comments from the Board.

In response to questions from Mr. Houston, Mr. Breidenstein advised that they currently have a billboard sign on the corner of Boone Aire Road. He noted that both of the signs are off-premise signs.

Chairman Whitton stated that he did not want to set a precedent and suggested that the Board get advice from legal counsel. He asked that the request be deferred.

Mr. Ryan moved that the request be deferred to allow time for the Board to confer with the Staff and legal counsel in regard to the sign. Mr. Houston seconded the motion.

Mr. King stated that the Home Show starts on August 1. If the request is deferred for a month, they will miss the Home Show.

Chairman Whitton stated that they are not requesting a temporary sign, they are requesting a permanent one.

The Chairman asked for a vote on the motion made by Mr. Ryan to defer the request and it carried unanimously.

3. The request of Empire Gas Inc. for a Conditional Use Permit to allow a retail propane gas outlet. The 1.91-acre site is located on the eastern side of Service Road in Walton. The site is zoned Industrial One (I-1) and is owned by Albert Martini.

Staff member, Greg Tulley, presented the Staff Report which included a slide presentation (see Staff Report).

Chairman Whitton asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak in behalf of the request.

Mr. Jim Elliott of Dave Estes Engineering stated that the site is zoned I-1 and this is a Conditional Use for the retail sale of LP gas. He stated that the Mayor of Walton is excited about having this type of business in the city. The use of the property will be similar to Furrow Gas. The site will all be paved. There will be a small building and outside storage. The site is spread out and will not look cluttered. He showed the Board a picture of the building they intend to put on the site. Mr. Elliott noted that Staff's main concern was the access off the service road. He stated that any industrial use in the area will involve tractor trailer traffic. He has not talked to the Highway Department to determine if the service road will be widened. They believe that the road may be widened when the development progresses. There will be very little truck traffic on the road with there being at most one tanker truck a week. The site has a 30,000 gallon tank. He noted that Mr. Chuck Burns and Mr. Gilbert Parker of Empire Gas were present.

Mr. Parker stated that he is with Empire Gase from Lebanon, Missouri. They operate in 37 states and have ten or eleven retail outlets in Kentucky. He stated that there probably would not be one tractor trailer per week. He noted that there is visibility to I-75. They will clear the lot, but not take down the bigger trees. They will put up a nice building. There will be a 30,000 gallon storage tank. They will go back further from the property line than is required. He stated that they have to comply with all state and federal codes. They cannot get a license to operate unless they do everything right. The facility will be clean and safe. They are putting in the larger tank to keep truck traffic down.

Chairman Whitton questioned the nature of the business. Mr. Parker stated that it is a retail facility and they deliver to the customer. The delivery trucks are single axle and either three-quarter or one ton service vehicles. There will be two trucks and the largest will be about the size of a Pepsi truck. The only tractor trailer traffic would be to bring the product to them. Their truck would go out in the morning and probably not come back until late in the afternoon. The service truck would be in and out twice a day as he can only haul one tank at a time.

Mr. Burns stated that he will be managing the facility. He stated that it is a no-outlet road. The traffic will be minimal. They have a temporary office in Walton now and there is very little traffic on the road. He stated that the Mayor and the people are in favor of the facility as last winter they could not get enough gas to meet the demands.

Mr. King stated that the site will have asphalt paving and on-site detention. The utilities are available, except that there is no sanitary sewer. He stated that the City of Walton has a project where they have a fund set up for a sanitary sewer extension once this corridor starts. Until that time, there will be a leach line system for the one bathroom in the building. There will be a security fence to prevent tampering with the tanks.

Ms. Sue Travis with First Commercial Realty stated that they are buying a four-acre parcel. Mr. King stated that they are buying four acres, but using a 1.91-acre tract for this use. It is not decided at this time if they will develop the other acreage in the future.

Chairman Whitton asked if there was anyone else present who wished to speak, either for the request, in opposition to the request, or having questions.

Mr. Bill Waller stated that he owns the adjacent four acres. He is concerned about the use. He was aware of a propane explosion some years ago and is concerned about the nearby residences. He stated that this is a high risk use and will limit what he can do with his four acres. He believes the use will decrease his property value.

Mr. Parker stated that they go by certain guidelines. There are safety valves that automatically cut off. Liability is their main concern. He stated that liability insurance costs a lot and it is in their best interest not to have explosions. He stated that propane is a safe fuel. There are excess flow valves in case of a line rupture. He noted that this facility will enhance Mr. Waller's property.

Chairman Whitton questioned that if there was an explosion, at what distance would an adjacent structure be affected.

Mr. Parker stated that a propane tank is equipped with relief valves to let off pressure so that a tank will not burst. He has been in the business 22 years and has not seen a tank explode. The tanks are 3/4" to 7/8" thick. Explosions do not occur. There are excess flow valves to stop the flow of gas. The industry is heavily regulated for safety by local and state fire marshalls and there are codes to go by.

There being no further comments from the audience, the Chairman asked if there were any comments from the Board.

Chairman Whitton questioned if a car could pass their truck on the road.

Mr. Parker stated that he was out there in a one-half ton pick-up truck and he passed another pick-up truck on the road.

Chairman Whitton noted that the road is 12 feet wide. He asked if they had considered widening the road.

Mr. Parker stated that he would approach his boss in this regard.

There being no further discussion, Mr. Houston moved that the Conditional Use Permit be granted subject to the condition that they get Health Department approval and comply with the requirements of the regulatory agencies. Mr. Ryan seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

4. The request of Richard H. Apler for a Conditional Use Permit to allow parking for a trap club. The parking area is to be located at 9972 Country Hills Court, Union, Kentucky. The property is zoned Agriculture (A-1) and is owned by Richard H. Apler.

Staff Member, Amy Moore, stated that the applicant had submitted a deed for the section marked "26C-2" on the map attached to the Staff Report. This section is about 20 acres. It was not understood that a deed was to be submitted for all of the acreage the applicant intended to use. The property to the north is where the trap shooting will take place on an area of approximately 22 to 23 acres. If the current request is granted, the applicant will come back next month in regard to the additional acreage.

Mrs. Moore presented the Staff Report which included a slide presentation (see Staff Report).

Chairman Whitton asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak in behalf of the request.

Mr. Richard Apler stated that there are two private clubs in Boone County and both are full. He stated that trap shooting promotes gun safety and is a worldwide sport. His land is zoned Agriculture One. The zoning will remain the same, but the criteria will be changed if he gets the zoning permit. Parking will be provided on the twenty acres. He expects 25 to 30 members when the club gets started, with a maximum of about 100 members. There will be 15 to 20 to 30 cars at the most. There will be shooting about twice a week -- possibly Wednesday evening and Sunday afternoon. At 100 yards, the shell falls to the ground. At 75 yards, it would puncture skin. At 50 yards, it would cause injury. He bought this property 14 years ago. Mr. Apler stated that the main reason people are against him is that it will devalue their property. He stated that this will raise his property value. He stated that if houses were put on the property to the back, which could be as much as thirty acres, there would be a traffic problem more than twice a week. The trap club will give employment to minors twice a week to pull the birds and score.

There being no one else present in behalf of the request, the Chairman asked if there was anyone present in opposition to the request.

Mr. Jerry Dusing, attorney, stated that he was contacted by residents of the area. He reviewed the map which had been explained by Mrs. Moore in regard to the area involved this evening. He displayed to the Board a large cardboard with photographs of the houses in the neighborhood to show the types of homes that exist coming off KY 537 (Rabbit Hash/Hathaway Road). Mr. Dusing showed a video prepared by a member of the neighborhood which showed the houses in the area and also a trap club in operation. The lady from the neighborhood narrated the video and noted the contrast between their quiet neighborhood and the noise of the trap club.

Mr. Dusing stated that the Staff Report was entirely accurate. He noted that not all of the adjacent property owners have been notified, which is a requirement for a Conditional Use Permit. He stated that at least two adjacent property owners in the pink area on the map were not notified. He noted that there is no Site Plan.

Mr. Dusing stated that there is a concern for safety, which is not addressed. He noted that the Board cannot evaluate the proposal without the Site Plan and operating rules. He stated that the proposal flunks every criteria in the book. It is not compatible with the text of the Comprehensive Plan for the area, it is not compatible with the Land Use Map. He noted that the entire area is designated for low-density residential use. He referred to Section 263 regarding the standards for Conditional Uses that this application has to meet. He stated that the first criteria is "will it be in accord with the Comprehensive Plan?", and it is not. The second criteria is whether it will be harmonious with the general character of the vicinity, and it cannot be operationally harmonious with the neighborhood. He stated that it will be hazardous to neighboring uses. He noted that Mr. Apler indicated that the shot will fall down at 100 yards, but at 75 yards it will hurt you. He stated that this is not true. There is a concern for overspray and lead shot pollution. There are children in the neighborhood and there is no evidence that the safety concerns will not occur. He stated that it will be served adequately by essential public facilities. Mr. Dusing stated that the access is a deadend cul-de-sac which is inappropriate for a 100-member club. The use would be detrimental to persons and property. The traffic and noise would be detrimental. The vehicular approaches are not adequate. He noted that a trap shooting club is a Conditional Use and must be within the scope and purpose of the district. The primary purpose is to protect future viability and character, and residential development is the best way to protect that. The application fails all of the criteria.

Mr. Dusing stated that they contacted The National Association for Trap Shooting, which puts out a booklet on how to develop new facilities so that people can wisely select a site and meet industry standards. He stated that this site is tight being about 700 feet deep on one side, and 1,500 feet on the other, with a house and yard in the front. The lot is 600 feet across the back and 130 feet across the front. It is not realistic to keep the shooting within 130 feet and be safe for the neighbor's children. He referred to the Trap Shooting Association booklet regarding considerations for site selection and safety. He stated that there is no clue regarding the type of shooting range. He noted the need for natural noise insulation and stated that this is an open field with no noise barriers and no talk of berming.

Mr. Dusing stated that this is prime land for residential use. He noted that you cannot get to the site except through a subdivision street. He continued to quote from the booklet noting that safety is a foremost consideration. Also that "need", not "cost" should be of paramount concern. He stated that the booklet is evidence in regard to 12-gauge shot. The booklet says the shot travels 1,230 feet per second. He stated that a shot would be in the air at least one second and probably longer. A 20-gauge shot travels 1,282 to 1,350 feet per second. There will be overspray. Also, there is a lake back

there and there will be pollution into the water source affecting the wildlife. He presented a petition of 41 signatures of people in the vicinity of the site. Chairman Whitton advised that the Board has a copy of the petition and the letters.

The Chairman asked if there was anyone else present who wished to speak in opposition to the request.

Mr. Ed Reuben stated that he is building a house there. He has been an educator in the Boone County schools. He does not see this type of facility being appropriate in an area being developed into homes. He stated that there are at least three others building there. He believes that the trap club will decrease his property value. He moved to the area for peace and quiet, and now the area will be congested and noisy.

Mr. Everett Longworth, who lives across the street from the site, has a nine-year old boy and a thirteen-year old boy and he does not want them to get shot in the woods.

Christine Kidd stated that she owns 40 acres adjacent to the area colored in yellow on the map. Mr. Apler's house is visible from her front yard and the additional property he would buy would be adjacent to her property.

Mr. Norb Gregory stated that the clubs in the area now were built when there were no houses around.

There being no one else present in opposition to the request, the Chairman asked if there was anything further from the applicant.

Mr. Apler questioned where the video was taken in regard to the noise level. He stated that the nearest house would be 300 yards away from where the gun would be fired. He has never heard of anyone being shot as the projectiles are always in the air. He would have to be fully insured. All of the noise will go away from the subdivision. He stated that the lady that made the video is about one-half mile from where the noise would be.

Chairman Whitton stated that there are Conditional Uses so that the Board can look at the appropriateness of a requested use. This is a residential development and this is a commercial use. He noted that Mr. Dusing had reviewed the criteria the Board would have to consider. He stated that this use is not appropriate in or adjacent to a residential zone.

Ms. Rita Straup stated that she is a trap shooter and helped Mr. Apler prepare his application. She was not aware that Country Hills Lane was a residential area. It is all zoned A-1. She questioned why the Staff did not tell them the use was not appropriate

Chairman Whitton reviewed the Conditional Use procedure and stated that the Staff does not make a decision regarding Conditional Use Permits.

There being no further discussion, Mr. Ryan moved that the request be denied on the basis that the use is not appropriate for the neighborhood and surrounding area. Mr. Houston seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Chairman Whitton stated that the Conditional Use Permit is not granted.


Approval of the Minutes:

Chairman Whitton noted that each Board member had received a copy of the Minutes of the Boone County Board of Adjustment meeting of June 13, 1990 and asked if there were any comments or corrections.

There being no changes to the Minutes, Mr. Ryan moved that they be approved as mailed. Mr. Houston seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

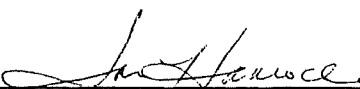
There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

APPROVED:



George D. Whitton, Chairman

Attest:



Jan Hancock, Recording Secretary

SUPPLEMENTAL STAFF REPORT

#1

APPLICANT: The Drees Company
REQUEST: Conditional Use and Variance for off-premises sign
LOCATION: 1100 Burlington Pike (Square D property)
ZONE: Industrial One (I-1)
DATE: August 8, 1990

REMARKS:

Please recall that Mr. Dale Wilson made himself available on July 19, 1990, to answer legal questions from individual Board members about the Drees request for a Conditional Use and Variance. Most areas of confusion were resolved. However, I was asked to prepare this supplement to describe how the 1990 Boone County Comprehensive Plan addresses the KY 18 corridor between Florence and Burlington.

The Land Use Element of the Plan makes the following statements about Burlington Pike:

This section of Boone County (Burlington - KY 18 area) contains Burlington, most of new KY 237, and a significant portion of KY 237, and a significant portion of KY 18. KY 18 and KY 237 are important roads to all of Boone County; the primary function of these roads is to move traffic through the area, with direct access to specific properties being a secondary function. (p.212)

The Future Land Use Map indicates a mixture of land uses along the KY 18 corridor and which will provide a transition into existing and planned public facility uses near KY 237. (p. 214)

The proposed commercial land uses on KY 18 should be planned with adequate Access Management, including continuous parallel roadways, and development should create commercial clusters rather than strip centers which parallel KY 18. These commercial uses must also be designed to be compatible with existing and proposed residential developments along KY 18. (p. 215)

Most other references to the KY 18 corridor involve traffic management. However, the introduction to the Land Use element of the Plan contains the following general statement:

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I will be on vacation during the meeting of August 8. Ms. Amy Moore will be briefed on this application and will have the file with all necessary information. In addition, a copy of the original Staff Report, from the July 11th meeting, is attached.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas W. Breidenstein
Zoning Enforcement Officer

TWB:twb/mcb

BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
BUSINESS MEETING

August 8, 1990 - 6:30 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. I. A. Archambault
Mr. Dan Houston
Mr. Fred Nevel
Mr. Walt Ryan

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Mr. George Whitton, Chairman

LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT:

Mr. Dale Wilson

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Archambault at 6:30 P.M..

Approval of the Minutes:

Mr. Archambault noted that each Board member had received a copy of the Minutes of the Boone County Board of Adjustment meeting of July 11, 1990 and asked if there were any comments or corrections.

There being no changes to the Minutes, Mr. Nevel moved that they be approved as mailed. Mr. Houston seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Agenda Items:

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Counselor Wilson reviewed the Staff Report prepared by Mr. Tom Breidenstein. He stated that there were some legal questions involved as to what may be appropriate for a temporary sign. This is addressed in the supplemental Staff Report, along with references to the Comprehensive Plan. The questions involved the appropriateness of this kind of use at this location and there was discussion

at the July 19 meeting about this being a temporary sign for a period of one to two years. He noted that there were representatives of The Drees Company present who had attended the meeting.

Mr. Bruce King of the Drees Company stated that they are asking for permission to put a sign at the front of Square D to direct traffic down Boone Aire Road. It is not an advertisement-type sign. It is an attractive sign with lattice work underneath it. He stated that there is a picture of the proposed sign attached to the Staff Report. He stated that the sign will be helpful to get the traffic into the site safely.

Counselor Wilson stated that this is a Conditional Use request in the I-1 Zone. The request is for an off-premise sign of 15 sq. ft.. It is about two feet from the ground to the sign and the sign is 3' x 5'.

In response to a question from Mr. Ryan, Mr. King advised that they want the sign for one to two years. This could be reviewed again in 18 months. When they get down to a small number of homesites left, they will probably remove the sign.

Mr. Houston noted that the turn lane on KY 18 had been paved for easier access.

Counselor Wilson noted that the KY 18 corridor is noted in the Comprehensive Plan as being significant and there are large undeveloped areas. By having the sign on a temporary basis, as each interval elapses, the Board can reconsider its appropriateness for the area.

Mr. Archambault asked if there was anyone else present who wished to speak in regard to this request. There was no response.

Mr. Houston moved that the Conditional Use Permit be granted for a period of eighteen months. Mr. Ryan seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2. The request of Hebron Baptist Church for a Conditional Use Permit to allow the construction of a building addition and parking lot expansion. The 5.9-acre site is located at 1488 Petersburg Road, Hebron, Kentucky. The site is zoned Suburban Residential One (SR-1) and is owned by the Hebron Baptist Church.

Staff Member, Greg Tulley, presented the Staff Report which had been prepared by Amy Moore and included a slide presentation. He noted that this area had been before the Board on two previous occasions -- once for the church and once for the two-story house near the church. He noted that the subject parking lot is separate from the existing parking lot and the trees will remain. (See Staff Report).

Mr. Archambault asked if there was anyone present from the church who wished to speak in behalf of this request.

Mr. Harry Nurse of Trinity Church Builders stated that also present in behalf of the request was their architect, Mr. Fenney and four members of the church. Mr. Nurse stated that they are trying to provide better parking, more than is required by code. He stated that the sanctuary can handle more people than they can handle in education and fellowship and they are trying to address this. He stated that they would like their Site Plan Review done at Staff level so that they do not have to wait another month before starting construction.

Mr. Archambault asked if there was anyone else present who wished to speak in regard to this request. There was no response.

There being no discussion, Mr. Nevel moved that the Conditional Use Permit be granted and that the Site Plan be approved by the Staff. Mr. Ryan seconded the motion.

Counselor Wilson advised that the Site Plan Review needs to be handled by the Planning Commission.

Mr. Nevel amended his motion to indicate that they must follow the proper process of Site Plan Review by the Planning Commission. Mr. Ryan seconded the amended motion and it carried unanimously.

3. The request of Ron Neal for a Conditional Use Permit to allow the construction of a church. The 3.695-acre site is located on Elijah's Creek Road, Hebron, Kentucky. The site is zoned Agriculture Two (A-2) and is owned by Dave and Jill Peebles.

Staff Member, Greg Tulley, presented the Staff Report prepared by Amy Moore (see Staff Report). Mr. Tulley advised that notice was received today that a sanitary sewer system on the site would be allowed.

Mr. Archambault asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak in behalf of the request.

Reverend Ronald Neal stated that the area has approximately two acres of flat ground. There is an embankment by the creek. He stated that they have a sewage permit. He stated that two entrances are shown on the Site Plan -- one to the north and one to the south. They have no problem with only having the one to the south. The only reason they put in the one to the north is that when you are sitting in the curve you can look both ways. If the Board finds the entrance to be dangerous, then they will keep to one exit.

There being no one else present in favor of the request, Mr. Archambault asked if there was anyone present in opposition to the request.

Ms. Leoda Feldhouse stated that she was interested in the sewage treatment and the parking. She lives directly behind the site. Ms. Feldhouse stated that three owners were going to build on the site, but none of them did. She was told that there is only a limited space where you can build. She stated that

the curve is dangerous. Ms. Feldhouse stated that she does not object to the church. She noted that the back of the property will flood. She also has a problem with the culvert. She noted that this is a high vandalism area. Her house has been entered twice and many times things have been taken from her garage. She has to use a post office box as people take her mailbox. She stated that there will be many times when there is no one at the church and she is concerned about safety.

Reverend Neal stated that they are currently in the Hebron Hardware Plaza. They can seat 120 people. He stated that the code is one parking space for every four seats. There is a flat area on the up end of the property that will easily park 36 to 38 cars. If they move to the left-hand side of the property, they will have to come back for approval of a 3-foot covered culvert to show 50 to 60 parking spaces. The building will seat 120 people with a future 24-foot wing for up to 200 people. If growth continues, then there could be a balcony. He stated that they know Elijah's Creek is rough and are aware of the vandalism -- which is one of the reasons they are needed there.

There being no further comments from the audience, Mr. Archambault asked if there were any questions from the Commission.

Mr. Nevel questioned what would happen if they found out who owns the power line and there is a 100-foot easement. He asked how this would affect the location of the building and the parking lot. He stated that they would not be able to build within the easement.

Mr. Tulley stated that they could not build in the easement without approval, which may not be given. The Staff's opinion is that there would be a problem in regard to the topography and location of the building if there is a 100-foot easement. He noted that the back of the lot is steep.

Reverend Neal stated that if they find there is a 100-foot easement, they will no longer be interested in the property.

Counselor Wilson commented that the extend to which they could build in the easement is governed by the terms of the easement.

Ms. Feldhouse stated that she has a C.G.&E. tower on her property with a 100-foot easement. She assumes the easement on this site is for an Owen County line.

Mr. Nevel moved that the Conditional Use Permit be granted. Mr. Ryan seconded the motion.

Mr. Ryan questioned if moving the entrance was a problem. Reverend Neal stated that it was not.

There being no further comments, Mr. Archambault asked for a vote on the motion made by Mr. Nevel and it carried unanimously.

4. The request of Gerald Dusing, agent for McDonald's Corporation, for clarification of previously approved conditions of a Change in Non-Conforming Use. The site is located on KY 338 and is owned by Thomas Bishoff.

Counselor Wilson stated that he has reviewed the Staff Report and there appears to be a question as to whether or not the approvals granted at the April 11, 1990 meeting included the menu board.

Mr. Dusing stated that they want to get clarification. There is a letter included in the packets indicating their position. Also included in the packets are copies of the April 11, 1990 Minutes and he has checked the relative comments. He noted that the Minutes reflect that the sign was 50' x 18' and that he held up a picture of it. He quoted the motion on Page 7 of the Minutes.

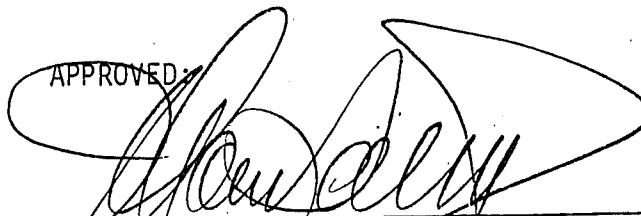
Mr. Dusing stated that when they went for their sign permit, Mr. Breidenstein questioned the readerboard as he felt that the Minutes could be read to indicate that they limited themselves to a 50' x 18' sign as a condition of approval of the high rise sign. Their discussion generated his letter to Mr. Breidenstein, a copy of which is in the packet. He stated that when they held up the sign there was discussion and they indicated that there would be a readerboard on the sign, but this was not reflected in the Minutes. He emphasized that the readerboard was on the sign he held up that night.

Counselor Wilson stated that the readerboard measures about 24 square feet. Mr. Dusing stated that the sign would be 47 square feet plus the 24 square feet. Mr. Nevel commented that it would be about 71½ square feet.

Counselor Wilson advised that if they were not seeking a Variance with a trade off, the sign would be at least 150 square feet. He stated that the Board is being asked to clarify what was granted at the April 11, 1990 meeting. The issue is whether or not the entrance sign included the readerboard.

Mr. Ryan moved that the Board find that the readerboard was included in the motion made at the April 11, 1990 meeting. Mr. Houston seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

APPROVED: 
I. A. Archambault

Attest:


Jan Hancock, Recording Secretary