



ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
TOWN OF MONTAGUE
ONE AVENUE A
TURNERS FALLS, MA 01376

NOTICE OF DECISION & VOTE

Applicant Owner:

John Benedict
187 Avenue A
Turners Falls, MA 01376

Case No.

#23-18

Date

January 22, 2024

Property Owner:

Couture Brothers Inc.
P.O. Box 270
Turners Falls, MA 01376

Premises Affected:

187 Avenue A
Turners Falls, MA 01376
Assessors' Map, 03 Lot 034
Franklin County Registry of Deeds: Book 898 Page 304

Special Permit	(X)
Site Plan Review	()
Variance	()

The hearing on this Special Permit was opened on January 10, 2024 and closed on January 10, 2024.

THE BOARD OF APPEALS VOTED:

The Montague Zoning Board of Appeals granted a Special Permit 4 Yes to **John Benedict** to allow the replacement of 2 pre-existing, non-conforming illuminated signs, including a 4-ft by 13-ft building wall sign and a 1-ft by 6-ft free standing sign, under Sections 7.1.4, 7.1.6, 7.1.7(c) and 9.2 of the Zoning Bylaw, located at **187 Avenue A (Map 03, Lot 034), Central Business (CB) Zoning District**, with the following condition:

1. Current signs and proposed signs do not negatively affect the aesthetics of the neighborhood.
2. Forcing applicant to change sign frame sizes would place an unnecessary burden on him.
3. Any proposed modifications to the approved final plans, including but not limited to changes, alterations, or expansions shall be reviewed and approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals, in accordance with Section 9.2.5 of the Zoning Bylaw.

The vote of the Zoning Board of Appeals was as follows:

Joshua Lively, Chair - YES
Richard Ruth - YES

William Doyle IV, Vice Chair – YES
David Jensen - YES

The Zoning Board of Appeals hereby certifies that a copy of this decision and all plans referred to in this decision have been filed with the Town Clerk on: January 22, 2024.

An appeal from the decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals may be made by any person aggrieved pursuant to MGL chapter 40A, section 17 as amended within twenty (20) days after the date of filing of a notice of decision in the Office of the Town Clerk. Notice of the appeal and a copy of the complaint shall be given to the Town Clerk within the twenty-day appeal period.

Board of Appeals:

By _____
Joshua Lively, Chairman
Karen Casey-Chretien
Zoning Board of Appeals Clerk

cc: Applicant, Property Owner, Abutters, Public hearing attendees requesting notification, Planning Board
abutting Towns - Gill, Erving, Wendell, Leverett, Sunderland, Greenfield

Certificate of No Appeal

[This section is filled out by the Montague Town Clerk]

Received for filing by Town Clerk: _____
Time Date

Twenty-day appeal period ends: _____
Time Date

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT NO APPEAL HAS BEEN FILED WITHIN 20 DAYS FROM THE
DATE THAT THIS DECISION WAS FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK:

Montague Town Clerk Date
