



Village of Fox River Grove

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Celske called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present were Chairperson Dan Celske and members Anderson, Bloom, Buster, Dimmick, and Riley. Also, present were Assistant to the Village Administrator Bechler and Village Clerk Caesar. Member Cramer was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

Chairperson Celske administered the oath to petitioner Mark Regas who was present to answer any questions from commission members.

APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 16, 2021 MINUTES

A motion was made by Bloom and seconded by Dimmick to approve the June 16, 2021 minutes. A voice vote was taken. Anderson, Bloom, Buster, Celske, Dimmick, and Riley – all “yes.” Motion Passed.

ZONING CASE 2021-08: VARIANCE – SOLID FENCE IN SIDE YARD ADJOINING STREET – 229 FOXMOOR ROAD

Chairperson Celske opened the public hearing for zoning case 2021-08 and accepted the proof of mailing certificates as well as the property owner notification form. Celske began with the Petitioner’s request for a variance from the current code, which only allows natural fences (hedges) and split-rail fences in side yards adjoining streets to allow a 6’ solid fence. Petitioner Regas stated the reason for the variance is that he fosters Dobermans. He is seeking the solid fence to reduce any exposure of the dogs to other residents walking their pets past his home, and to reduce any engagement between the dogs and kids, citing safety as a concern. Chairperson Celske asked if a 4’ fence would suffice. Regas replied that Dobermans would be able to jump a 5’ fence.

Members Buster and Riley were not in favor of the variance, citing the location, height, aesthetics, and setting a precedence to other homeowners as their concerns.

A motion was made by Celske and seconded by Dimmick to make a recommendation to the Village Board of Trustees to approve the variance with the following conditions:

- **The fence be located no closer than three (3) feet from the sidewalk near Manchester.**
- **The fence style should incorporate a lattice top.**
- **Landscaping to be planted along the entire sidewalk frontage on Manchester Court, and in front of the portion facing Foxmoor Road.**

The findings of fact, as well as factual assertions as presented are adopted into this motion. Roll Call: Celske, Anderson, Bloom, and Dimmick – all “yes.” Buster and Riley – “No.” Motion Passed.

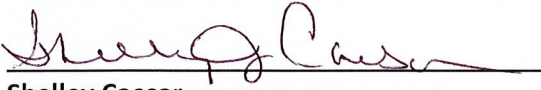
The public hearing for zoning case 2021-08 was closed at 7:46 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commission member Bloom asked for an update on Block B. Assistant to the Administrator Bechler updated the commission on progress.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Riley and seconded by Buster to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.



Shelley Caesar
Village Clerk
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1-13-2022
Date