

Borough of Pitman
Combined Planning / Zoning Board

Minutes of December 17, 2018

Call to Order:

Chairman Aspras called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Attendance:

Chairman Aspras, Councilman Weng, Mrs. Kelley, Mr. Lowden, Mr. Owen, Mr. Ryder, Mr. Slenkamp, Mrs. Stech, Mr. Romick, Mr. Scutt, Mrs. Cioffi

Absent Members: Mr. Fijalkowski, Mr. Franchi

Advisors Present: Mr. MacDonald, Solicitor, Walt Madison, Historic Preservation Commission

Mr. Franchi arrived after roll call.

Approval of November 2018 Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Ryder and second by Mrs. Stech **to approve** the minutes of November 2018.

Chairman Aspras: Yes
Councilman Weng: Yes
Mrs. Kelley: Abstain
Mr. Lowden : Yes
Mr. Owen: Yes
Mr. Ryder: Yes

Mrs. Stech: Yes
Mr. Romick: Yes
Mr. Scutt: Yes
Mrs. Cioffi: Yes

Historic Preservation Commission:

Mr. MacDonald swore in Walt Madison
Application Number 2018-60: Dominic Capanna, 216 Boulevard Ave.
B-36 L-3
Fence Replacement

Application Number 2018-61 & 2018-62: Joshua Hitchner
B-18 L- 23 & 24
Fencing
**Applications Withdrawn DUE TO DUPLICATE APPLICATIONS
PREVIOUSLY APPROVED**

Application Number 2018-63: David Gaffney, 229 East Ave.
B-25 L-25
Siding/windows/porch enclosure

A motion was made by Mrs. Kelley and second by Mr. Slenkamp to approve both applications, No. 2018-60 and No. 2018-63.

Chairman Aspras: Yes
Councilman Weng: Yes
Mrs. Kelley: Yes
Mr. Lowden: Yes
Mr. Owen: Yes
Mr. Ryder: Yes

Mr. Slenkamp: Yes
Mrs. Stech: Yes
Mr. Romick: Yes
Mr. Scutt: Yes
Mrs. Cioffi: Yes

●Mr. Madison then presented a map of the Grove from 1894 that he wanted to share with the Board as he is donating it to the Pitman Historic Museum.

Procedural Update for Sony Redevelopment Plan

Chairman Aspras explained that because of time constraints the public hearing for the Redevelopment Plan would be postponed until the January meeting.

Mr. MacDonald stated that the date for the hearing was changed in order to give enough time for notices to be distributed to all parties concerned. The public hearing will be held January 22nd 2019 and Mr. Kernan will be giving his report at the hearing. He also said that he hopes that all members of the Board will be present.

Chairman Aspras then asked if board members would be able to submit email questions prior to the hearing. Mr. MacDonald stated that he felt that would not be appropriate and that all questions should be gathered prior and then submitted at the hearing and that they should not be discussed outside of the Public Hearing.

Mr. Romick then asked if the board would be taking action on the same night as the hearing. Mr. MacDonald said it would be up to the board.

Report from Zoning Officer:

No report

New Use Waiver Committee:

Mr. Lowden - Nothing New

Historic Commission Update:

Mrs. Stech reported, there is concern from the Commission in reference to enforcement concerning some fencing issues in the Historic District. Councilman Weng then asked if these issues had been reported to the Zoning Officer. Walt Madison answered yes, and that he planned on speaking to the Zoning Officer personally. Chairman Aspras then suggested that it also be put in writing.

Mrs. Stech stated that the Historic Commission was going to take a look at current guidelines and perhaps make revisions if needed.

Chairman Aspras then asked about new software for the Commission as it is getting towards the end of the year. Walt Madison said he would mention it to the Commission.

Economic Development Committee:

Mr. Owen reported that the EDC's next meeting would be this Thursday Dec. 20th at 7:00pm.

Site Plan Committee:

No Report

Subdivision Committee:

Mrs. Kelley – Nothing to report

Master Plan Committee:

Mr. Ryder – Nothing to report

Environmental Commission:

Mr. Slenkamp reported that Disc Golf would soon be coming to Alcyon Woods. Andy Fox the Boroughs Recreation Director, along with Rick Benfield, from the Pitman Golf Course, presented a layout to the Environmental Commission. The course is set up within Alcyon Woods, and involves tees, disc frisbees, and baskets set up throughout the 9 hole course. He also stated that the course would involve some minor cleaning of brush and that the trees would remain. The course would be run by the Boroughs Recreation Department and would be free.

Council Report:

Councilman Weng reported that the National Guard had arrived at Council to discuss the Armory cleanup. Council expressed to them that they were not happy with how long the cleanup was taking. Councilman Weng recently received an email from the National Guard, with a timeline that indicates that they will be completing the remainder of the cleanup by February 2020.

Other/Old /New Business:

Mrs. Stech asked if the EDC was making new street signs. Mr. Owen answered yes and that they would also be put up in the Historic District. Mrs. Stech stated that the Historic Commission is concerned as to whether the EDC will come before the Historic Commission with examples. There was then discussion about what the signs say, where they will go and what they look like. Chairman Aspras then stated that these signs would be placed along Broadway, and would display the street name.

Mrs. Stech made the motion and Mrs. Kelley second to adjourn. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Anderson