

PLANNING BOARD OF THE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 24, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Planning Board, scheduled by the time, place and date of the meeting, prominently posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall, mailed to the Times and the Courier, filed with the Borough Clerk, and mailed to any person requesting same in accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act is called to order at 7:43 PM.

Present: Dale Flowers, Laura DeGennaro, Teresa Keeler, Jack Molenaar, Teresa Seefeldt, Dennis Sherry, Dan Zucker, Mike Lysicatos, William Lee, Catherine D'Appolonio, Esq., Ray Sullivan, Peter Bondar, T&M Planner

Absent: Mayor Mahr, David Blechinger, Joan Wheeler, Matthew Juckes

Recusal: Teresa Seefeldt recused during hearing due to receipt of notice. She returns immediately after the hearing.

Minutes

January 27, 2016 minutes were approved by a unanimous vote of eligible voters.

Applications Carried

Mr. Flowers announced the carrying of the following two applications to the March 30, 2016 meeting to be held in Council Chambers, 75 North Martine Avenue, Fanwood, at 7:30 PM.

- Block 55, Lot 4 (use) 25 South Avenue, 1st Hartford (CVS)
- Block 64, Lot 16 (minor site plan) 56 S. Martine Avenue, Frank's Auto

Resolutions

Block 64, Lot 6.01 (Lot line adjustment/.application revision) 233 La Grande, FW Crossing III

The board unanimously approved a resolution granting the requested lot line adjustment as well as the requested removal of the condition to lower a building turret.

New Business

Block 78, Lot 42, Cray Terrace, New Cingular Wireless (ATT) (return to permanent tower)

Attorney Judith Fairweather presented four witnesses in support of the request to Cingular (ATT) relocate cell antennae to the PSEG monopole at the above-referenced location and to construct an equipment enclosure on the ground beneath the monopole.

The applicant had previously received a variance approval for cell antennae on this block and lot. There was some discussion regarding whether or not the former variance was applicable as the current PSEG monopole is not in the exact same location as the older structure it replaced. There

was agreement amongst board members that because this is the same block and lot, the variance carried.

Ms. Fairweather testified that they are unable to co-locate on the monopole in the CCW zone due to PSEG's refusal to allow more than two carriers on each monopole.

Cingular (ATT) witnesses testified that an antenna at this spot will perfect their cell coverage for this area.

Several residents of Terrill Road objected to an approval based on the burden of visual pollution they already bear with respect to the PSEG station and the monopole. Because of the "utility" nature of this use, the board felt that this citing was reasonable, although regrettable.

Applicant agreed to all conditions relative to the appearance of the Equipment Shelter, this being a subtle and attractive board on board fence with low shrubbery plantings along the fence line. Details are to be finalized with borough staff.

Other Discussion

The board unanimously approved the Rules update indicating the PB Regular Meetings are to be held on the 4th Wednesday of each month, as currently scheduled.

Adjournment

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Pat Hoynes, Planning Board Secretary