PLANNING BOARD OF THE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD

Regular Meeting Minutes January 23, 2019

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 7:35 PM.

Present: Anthony Carter, Kevin Boris, David Blechinger, Michael

Lysicatos, Teresa Seefeldt, Dennis Sherry, John Steigerwald, Adam Matty, Amy Lumpkin, Michele Moore, Jack Molenaar, Bill

Lee, Diane Dabulas, Ray Sullivan, Antonios Panagopoulos

Absent: Mayor Mahr, Matt Juckes

Reorganization

Mr. Sherry took the chair during the reorganization portion of the meeting and opened nominations for the position of Board Chairman.

Mr. Boris nominated Matt Juckes, and was seconded by Ms. Seefeldt There were no other nominations.

Ayes: Boris, Seefeldt, Lee, Sherry, Carter, Blechinger, Molenaar, Lysicatos, Steigerwald, Matty

Motion carried, unopposed

Nominations were opened for the position of Vice Chairman

Mr. Boris nominated Dennis Sherry, and was seconded by Ms. Seefeldt There were no other nominations.

Ayes: Boris, Seefeldt, Lee, Sherry, Carter, Blechinger, Molenaar, Lysicatos, Steigerwald, Matty

Motion carried, unopposed

Nominations were opened for the position of Board Attorney. Mr. Molenaar explained the logic in awarding Rogut McCarthy, who has extensive history with the borough and its redevelopment programs.

Mr. Boris nominated Rogut McCarthy, and was seconded by Ms. Seefeldt There were no other nominations.

Ayes: Boris, Seefeldt, Lee, Sherry, Carter, Blechinger, Molenaar, Lysicatos, Steigerwald, Matty

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Motion carried, unopposed

Nominations were opened for the position of Borough Engineer

Mr. Boris nominated T&M Associates, and was seconded by Ms. Seefeldt There were no other nominations.

Ayes: Boris, Seefeldt, Lee, Sherry, Carter, Blechinger, Molenaar, Lysicatos, Steigerwald, Matty

Motion carried, unopposed

Nominations were opened for the position of Board Planner.

Mr. Boris nominated T&M Associates, and was seconded by Ms. Seefeldt There were no other nominations.

Ayes: Boris, Seefeldt, Lee, Sherry, Carter, Blechinger, Molenaar, Lysicatos, Steigerwald, Matty

Motion carried, unopposed

Nominations were opened for the position of Zoning Officer

Mr. Lysicatos nominated Raymond Sullivan and was seconded by David Blechinger. There were no other nominations

Ayes: Lysicatos, Blechinger, Lee, Sherry, Boris, Carter, Seefeldt, Steigerwald, Matty, Molenaar

Motion carried, unopposed Nominations were opened for the position of Board Secretary

> Mr. Boris nominated Pat Hoynes with a second from David Blechinger There were no other nominations

Ayes: Lysicatos, Blechinger, Lee, Sherry, Carter, Blechinger, Lysicatos, Seefeldt, Steigerwald, Matty

Mr. Boris nominated T&M Associates, and was seconded by Ms. Seefeldt There were no other nominations.

Ayes: Boris, Seefeldt, Lee, Sherry, Carter, Blechinger, Molenaar, Lysicatos, Steigerwald, Matty

Motion carried, unopposed

Minutes

The December 19, 2018 meeting minutes were approved as submit.

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Discussion

The board approved the proposed 2019 Meeting calendar for publication

The board discussed committee assignments, making minor adjustments.

A brief look at the 2018 Annual Report indicates no issues of concern.

Members were encouraged to participate in NJPO classes if this is of interest. At this point, only Mr. Carter will be attending. As a new board member, attendance is mandatory.

Old Business

Block 97, Lot 3 (bulk) 10 Kempshall Terrace, Carty

Due to the prolonged period of inactivity, the board decided to dismiss this application without prejudice, waiving the \$75 fee for reapplication.

Block 55, Lot 1 (redevelopment), 1 South Avenue, Empire Builders

This hearing will be carried to the February 27, 2019 Regular Meeting. An announcement of this fact was made in the public hearing room and no further notice is required.

New Business

Block 91, Lot 3.01 The Goddard School 324 South Avenue (fence)

Karen Wachs, Esq. presented Tracy Brace as the manager of the Goddard School.

They attest that the Goddard School was given an engineer review recommending a 6-foot tall privacy fence to replace the 4-foot tall picket fence surrounding the playground as a safety feature. This fence is intended to shield students from the gaze of passers-by who might have ill-intent. While it was not the aesthetic preference of either of the witnesses, they felt duty-bound to follow all safety protections for the children in their care.

Mr. Steigerwald pointed out that the 6-foot fence is not a Goddard standard. Though the applicants agreed that this was true, they also felt compelled to follow the safety engineers' recommendations.

The applicant agreed to the stipulation that the 6-foot fence only be granted while the property is a child care facility. Should another type of business take up residence, the fence must be removed or returned to its original style.

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They do NOT intend to change the portion of the fence that sits on the front porch.

Mr. Boris Moved to approve with the condition that the approval would only run with a childcare facility. Ms. Seefeldt seconded.

Ayes: Boris, Seefeldt, Lee, Sherry, Carter, Blechinger, Lysicatos, Matty

Nays: Steigerwald

Motion carried.

The meeting was once again opened to the public, with no comments offered.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted

Pat Hoynes, Planning Board Secretary