

MINUTES

CRESSKILL PLANNING BOARD

AUGUST 9, 2022

Mr. Ulshoefer opened the meeting at 7:31 PM and announced the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act had been fulfilled.

Members present at roll call:

Mayor Romeo, Councilwoman Schultz-Rummel, Mr. Ulshoefer, Ms. Furio, Mr. Malone, Mr. Rummel, Mr. Sutera, and Ms. Tsigounis. Mr. Berger arrived at 7:33 PM. Also present were Mr. Paul Azzolina, Borough Engineer, and Mr. Dean Stamos, Board Attorney.

Mr. Malone made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2022, meeting, seconded by Mr. Sutera. All present were in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

Correspondence

Memo from Ms. Francesca Maragliano noting that the last meeting of the Planning Board scheduled for July 26, 2022, has been cancelled.

Memo from Ms. Francesca Maragliano regarding the revised meeting dates for the remainder of 2002 for the Mayor and Council meetings.

Letter of Introduction from Mr. Bob Rusch, Construction Official, dated July 25, 2022, sending a representative from Jersey Mike's Subs to this Board for approval. They would like to open a sandwich shop at 1 Union Avenue. No one was present.

Subdivision Committee

Ms. Tsigounis had nothing to report.

Report from the Borough Engineer's Office

Mr. Azzolina had nothing to report.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Mr. Garella was before the Board with a Letter of Introduction from Mr. Bob Rusch, Construction Official, dated July 15, 2022. Mr. Garella is seeking a driveway waiver as per 218-E(1)(c)) at 382 Knickerbocker Road. Ten feet to the property line is required and he is looking for a waiver of +/- 9 feet. Mr. Garella is looking to expand his driveway. This property is next to Mr. Sutera. He just wants to make it wide enough to fit another car. It is one car wide now and wants to make it two cars wide. Two cars currently now park on the dirt that was grass. He is not widening the curb cut.

Mr. Azzolina asked if there was any consideration given to a circular drive. Obviously, it is a more costly proposition, but it may solve the getting in and out of the driveway problem. Mr. Garella stated that he has four cars altogether and he is not looking to put a driveway through the front yard. It is not the full length of the driveway. There was a call for a vote. On Roll Call: Mayor Romeo voted yes. Councilwoman Schultz-Rummel voted no. Mr. Ulshoefer, Ms. Furio, Mr. Malone, Mr. Rummel, Mr. Sutera, Ms. Tsigounis and Berger all voted yes. Motion approved. An approval memo was given to the Building Department. A letter of approval was sent to Mr. Garella, with copies to Ms. Francesca Maragliano, Borough Clerk, and Mr. Bob Rusch, Construction Official.

A representative from Body Boost was present with a Letter of Introduction from Mr. Bob Rusch, Construction Official, dated July 8, 2022, looking to install a new awning for their fitness studio at 32 Piermont Road, Unit 1. The existing square footage of the signage is 10 square feet, and the proposed signage is seven square feet. It will be green with white lettering. The awning was approved. A memo of approval was given to the Building Department. A letter of approval was sent to Body Boost with copies to Ms. Francesca Maragliano, Borough Clerk, and Mr. Bob Rusch, Construction Official.

Other Business

None.

Mr. Ulshoefer opened the meeting to the public. No public wished to be heard. Mr. Ulshoefer closed the meeting to the public.

Motion was made by Mr. Rummel to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 PM, seconded by Ms. Tsigounis. All present were in favor. Motion approved.

The next four regular Planning Board meetings are scheduled for August 23, September 13, September 27, and October 11, 2022, at 7:30 PM in the Borough Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn M. Petillo
Recording Secretary