

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 18, 2012 PLANNING BOARD
BOROUGH HALL, BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE

MEMBERS PRESENT: E. Alter, Mayor Arnowitz, Councilman Giancarlo, K. Fuchs, J. Miano, J. Traudt, F. Franco, Z. Horvath, M. Kates, E. Lichstein, L. Calabria

MEMBERS ABSENT:

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Stephen P. Sinisi, Esq. Board Attorney
Christopher P. Statile, P.E., Board Engineer
Caroline Z. Reiter, P.P., AICP, Board Planner
Christie Wyssenski, Deputy Secretary

Chairwoman Calabria called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with a reading of the Open Public Meetings Statement.

INVOICES:

Professional engineering invoices – The Board approved the invoices of Mr. Statile.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

The November 27, 2012 and December 5, 2012 meeting minutes were approved.

COMPLETENESS REVIEW:

PZ-8-12, Jeanne Marie Gardens, Block 1212, Lots 15 & 16, Esplanade & Patterson St 3, 150 Magnolia Ave., Major Subdivision & Site Plan with Variances Application

The application is deemed complete and will be scheduled for a public hearing after the Board has their re-organization meeting in January 2013.

DISCUSSION: The Board will hold their re-organization meeting on January 9, 2013.

OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC: Mary Anne MacMillan, 103 Conklin Avenue, wished to speak against the 150 Magnolia application. The Board may wish to save her comments until the Board hears the application at a Public Hearing. Ms. MacMillan and Ms. Sogliuzzo submitted their email addresses to the Recording Clerk to receive agendas of the new hearing date on the application.

Ms. Fuchs announced she is not being re-appointed to the Board in 2013. She thanked the Board professionals for the years she has worked with them and asked the Board members to continue to use good planning initiatives while hearing applications.

PUBLIC HEARING:

PZ-10-12, Garcia, Block 708, Lot 5, 50 Pascack Rd., Variance Application

Applicant has failed to submit revised drawings.

Mr. Sinisi will advise the applicant's attorney that a public hearing will not be scheduled until the Board has their re-organization meeting in January 2013. The applicant will have to readvertise and provide public notice for the 2013 hearing date.

PZ-12-12, 225 Washington Ave., MJL, LLC, Block 1406, Lot 3, 150 Magnolia Ave., Interpretation & Use Variance Request

Applicant's attorney has requested an adjournment to January 2013.

Mr. Sinisi will advise the applicant's attorney that a public hearing will not be scheduled until the Board has their re-organization meeting in January 2013. The applicant will have to readvertise and provide public notice for the 2013 hearing date.

OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC: As no one wished to speak, the meeting was closed to the public.

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board discussed their selection for Board Engineer, policy issues related to the Board's engineering needs, and the application process. Also, the Board discussed the selection of Board Attorney and the compensation policy.

Upon returning from the closed session, the Board determined the Recording Clerk will submit the Board Counsel RFQ legal advertisement to The Record to be published on Friday, December 21, 2012. The RFQ will also be posted on the Borough website. RFQ's will be received in January 2013. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christie Wyssenski, Deputy Board Secretary