

Borough of Rocky Hill
Planning Board
Minutes of the November 12, 2013 Meeting

Chair Raymond Whitlock called the regular meeting of the Planning Board to order at 7:33 PM.

NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Chair Raymond Whitlock read the following statement into the record: This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting was included in a list of meetings transmitted to the Courier News and Somerset Spectator on January 16, 2013. Notice remains continuously posted as to required notices under the Statute. A copy of this notice is available to the public and is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mark Blasch, Tim Corlis, Martin Engelbrecht, Connie Hallman, Brian Nolan, Raymond Whitlock, Mayor Zimmerman

Also Present: Recording Secretary Christine Witt, Attorney Jolanta Maziarz

Absent: Robert Ayrey, Cathy Cann, Linda Goldman, Michael Goldman, Eric Hintz

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Hallman moved to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2013 meeting, Nolan seconded the motion, and the motion carried on voice vote.

APPLICATIONS

None

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Review of Ordinance 2013-07: An Ordinance Amending the Development Regulations of the Borough of Rocky Hill to Simplify and Clarify Preservation Plan Requirements

Nolan moved that the ordinance as introduced by the Rocky Hill Borough Council is not inconsistent with the Master Plan, Corlis seconded the motion, and motion carried on roll call vote.

For: Blasch, Corlis, Engelbrecht, Hallman, Nolan, Whitlock

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Against: None
Abstain: Zimmerman

Resolution RHPB 2013-08, Tom Bremner, 17 Crescent Ave.

Blasch moved to approve the resolution as presented, Hallman seconded the motion, and motion carried on roll call vote.

For: Blasch, Hallman, Nolan, Whitlock

Against: None

Abstain: Corlis, Engelbrecht, Zimmerman

NEW BUSINESS

Concept Review: 25 Washington Street

Steven and Jonathan DeRochi are the contract buyers of the Scassera tract. They are a father and son who have a designing and building company. At the beginning of the presentation, Attorney Maziarz advised Mr. DeRochi that they would need a D variance and that he may not give any testimony related to their plans that involved such a variance. Mr. DeRochi described the plans for the property outside the scope of the D variance. Jonathan DeRochi intends to move into the existing house on the property, rehabilitate the house in its historic character, and run his business out of the house. The father and son also plan to build two 3,200 square foot houses adjacent to the existing house, and develop the rest of the property not as Village Office use.

Zoning Officer Blasch commented that the lot is in two zones and will require a C variance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Blasch moved to adjourn at 8:04 PM. Motion seconded by Nolan. Motion carried on voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted:

Christine Witt
Recording Secretary