

Vice Chairman Mark Alpaugh called the regular meeting of the Mine Hill Township Planning Board to order at 7:30 pm and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS NOTICE

Mr. Alpaugh announced that adequate notice for this meeting had been given as required by law.

ROLL CALL: Members Present – Mr. Alpaugh; Mr. Frank; Mr. Gorman; Mr. Heredia; Mr. Morris;
Mr. Sauchelli (arrived late); Mr. Willis
Members Absent – Mr. Gallarano; Mr. Gangemi
Alternates Present – None
Also Present – Mr. Haggerty, Board Attorney; Mr. Sterbenz, Engineer; Ms.
Macchia, Municipal Clerk/Planning Board Administrative Clerk
Public Present – Approximately 15

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Frank and seconded by Mr. Gorman to approve the minutes of January 7, 2013 and April 1, 2013 as presented. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

- a. Presbyterian Church Escrow 711284
 - i. \$300.00 to Larry Wiener
 - ii. \$1,402.50 to John Cilo
 - iii. \$1,265.00 to John Cilo

- b. J&E Auto Escrow 711285
 - i. \$56.25 to Bill Haggerty
 - ii. \$67.00 to Bill Haggerty

- c. Milelli Escrow 711286
 - i. \$175.00 to Bill Haggerty
 - ii. \$62.50 to Bill Haggerty
 - iii. \$33.00 to Bill Haggerty

- d. Planning Board Budget
 - i. \$100.00 to Bill Haggerty
 - ii. \$231.25 to Bill Haggerty
 - iii. \$287.50 to Bill Haggerty

A motion was made by Mr. Frank and seconded by Mr. Gorman to approve the vouchers as presented contingent upon sufficient funds available in escrow. Seeing no further discussion, the roll was called and the vouchers were approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Frank; Mr. Gorman; Mr. Willis; Mr. Morris; Mr. Alpaugh
Nays: none
Absent: Mr. Gallarano; Mr. Gangemi; Mr. Sauchelli
Abstentions: Mr. Heredia

RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS

None.

Mr. Morris and Mr. Willis recused themselves from the remainder of the agenda items and left the meeting. A recess was taken until quorum was reestablished.

During this recess, Mr. Haggerty spoke with applicants’ attorneys to ascertain their intentions due to the lack of attendance of a full board.

Mr. Sauchelli arrived and the meeting was reconvened.

COMPLETENESS REVIEWS

Application 001-13 Robin Engle

Mr. & Mrs. Engle appeared on their own behalf.

Mrs. Engle explained that they are seeking a variance to keep their 8 chickens in their yard. The chickens are pets and provide eggs for themselves, their neighbor’s and a local food pantry. They have rehomed the rooster which was the reason for a neighbor’s complaint that resulted in notice of a zoning violation.

Following brief discussion it was noted that the drawing needs to indicate the location and setback of the chicken yard and coup, adding that the modifications to the drawing could be hand drawn. It was also noted that there were some blanks on the application; however, not all of the items on the application apply to this case.

Mr. Alpaugh recommended that the application be deemed incomplete until revised drawings, a more complete application and perhaps a few photographs of the yard are supplied.

A motion was made by Mr. Frank and seconded by Mr. Heredia to deem the matter incomplete. The roll was called, and the motion was approved by the following vote:

- Ayes: Mr. Frank; Mr. Gorman; Mr. Heredia; Mr. Sauchelli; Mr. Alpaugh
- Nays: none
- Absent: Mr. Gallerano; Mr. Gangemi
- Abstentions: none

PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATIONS PREVIOUSLY DEEMED COMPLETE

Application 002-12 J&E Auto, LLC (Deemed Complete 4/01/13 – Time Expires 7/29/13)

Mr. Alpaugh noted that this applicant has requested a postponement to be allowed to present his case to a full board at the June 19th meeting. It was noted that this request is made without need for further notice.

A motion was made by Mr. Frank and seconded by Mr. Gorman to accept the applicant’s request for postponement. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

NEW & OLD BUSINESS

Discussion of Land Use Ordinance

It was noted that the ordinance is pending introduction by the Township Council and will reappear on a future Planning Board agenda to be deemed consistent with the Master Plan. Brief discussion followed. Board members provided suggestions for the introduction which will be given to the Township Attorney.

PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATIONS PREVIOUSLY DEEMED COMPLETE

Application 003-12 Salvatore Milelli (Deemed Complete 12/18/12 – Time Expires 4/17/13, ext. 6/19/13)

The attorney for this applicant requested that Mr. Frank not recuse himself from this application so that they could proceed with the current Board attendance. Mr. Haggerty determined that this was not Mr. Frank's option under the State law.

It was determined that Mr. Gangemi would not be available to arrive late as anticipated and this application could not be heard by four Board members after Mr. Frank recuses himself.

A motion was made by Mr. Sauchelli and seconded by Mr. Heredia to postpone this application without need for further notice. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

NEW & OLD BUSINESS

Discussion of Land Use Ordinance

Further discussion of the Land Use Ordinance followed and additional suggested changes were noted.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Frank and seconded by Mr. Sauchelli to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 PM. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda G. Macchia, RMC
Mine Hill Municipal Clerk
Board Administrative Clerk

Approved on this _____ day of _____, 20____

Planning Board Chairman