

**Borough of Pitman Combined Planning/Zoning Board
Pitman, New Jersey**

Minutes of September 21, 2015

Call to Order:

Chairman Aspras called the meeting to Order at 7:00pm.

Attendance:

Chairman Aspras, Mrs. Hausmann, Mayor Johnson, Councilwoman Kelley, Mr. Lowden, Mr. Ryder, Mr. Slenkamp, Mrs. Stech, Mr. Owen, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Romick, Mr. Dutill

Absent members: Mr. Fijalkowski

Advisors Present:

Mr. MacDonald, Solicitor, Mr. Pierpont, Zoning Officer.

Public Comments:

None.

Approval of August Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Romick, second by Mrs. Hausmann to approve the August minutes.
On voice vote: Chairman Aspras, Mrs. Hausmann, Mayor Johnson, Mr. Owen

Abstain: Councilwoman Kelley, Mr. Lowden, Mr. Ryder, Mr. Slenkamp, Mrs. Stech,

Historic Preservation Commission:

Mr. MacDonald swore in Walt Madison.

2015-34: Sharplink Staffing, LLC, 6 2nd Ave., B-1 L-19
Sign

2015-35: Steve Gregory, 131 North Ave., B-10 L-18
Agreement to restore front of home to screen porch as enclosure was done without permits and violates the Historic Guidelines.

2015-36: Frank Hagerty, 133 North Ave. B-10 L-19
Fix porch railings & fix porch roof

2015-37: Linda Ramsey, 38th 4th Ave. B-6 L-10
Roof approved by Zoning Officer

2015-38: Lawrence Richter, 156 South Ave. B-22 L-18
Fence

2015-39: Ron Zold, Ronaldo's 13 S. Broadway, B-73 L-3
Window sign, awning

2015-40: John Parise, 8 N. Broadway B-200 L-22
Fire Escape

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kelley, second by Mr. Lowden to approve Historic applications 2015-34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39 & 40. On voice vote: Chairman Aspras, Mrs. Hausmann, Mayor Johnson, Councilwoman Kelley, Mr. Lowden, Mr. Ryder, Mr. Slenkamp, Mrs. Stech

Abstain: Mr. Owen

Report from Zoning Officer:

Mr. Pierpont gave the board a report:

- 96 Zoning permits issued year to date.
 - Up 7 over 2014 thru September 18th
- Investigated 4 zoning complaints.
- Issued 2 violation notices.
- 17 persons visited the Zoning office during Wednesday evening hours.
 - 4 appointments and 5 site visits.
- Attended Historic Preservation Commission meeting at their request.

Chairman Aspras asked Mr. Pierpont if there are many solar applications coming in with the new ordinance in place. Mr. Pierpont responded, that there are applications coming in that do not fit under our guidelines. Instead of rejecting them for denial, he sent each applicant a copy of the ordinance to resubmit the zoning application.

Mr. Lowden noticed that Fazzio lost a lot of the trees he just planted about a year ago. Mr. Pierpont responded that he is aware of the trees and already contacted Mr. Fazzio by email on replacing the trees.

New Use Waiver Committee:

None.

Economic Development Committee:

Mr. Owen gave the board a report.

- Meeting was last Thursday night.

- New business opening up on Second Avenue in a couple of months for a small staffing agency.

Site Plan Committee:

None.

Subdivision Committee:

None.

Master Plan Committee:

Mr. Ryder gave the board a report.

- Last meeting was on May 4th.
- Waiting for Mr. Kernan to put together a draft of the discussion that took place at that meeting.

Environmental Commission:

Mr. Slenkamp gave the board a report.

- He was not able to attend a meeting took place last week about Alcyon Lake.

Council Report:

Councilwoman Kelley stated that she did not attend the last council meeting.

Mayor Johnson gave the board his report.

- The house on 12th Avenue was finally removed.

Councilwoman Kelley did report that the housing officials are working on the complaints for 166 East Avenue.

Chairman Aspras questioned about the sidewalk issue for downtown. Councilwoman Kelley replied that she will be bringing that topic up at the next Council work session, since she was unable to attend last week's meeting. Councilwoman Kelley was able to reach out to the Chamber and speak with the Chamber's president, Lisa Morgey. Ms. Morgey stated that the Chamber wants to be able to police it themselves and does not want to see any ordinances or guidelines or permits from Council. Mr. Lowden stated that from the last Council meeting, it was his understanding that there is already an ordinance in place that states it is not permitted. Councilwoman Kelley is aware of it and that is why it will be talked about it at the next Council work session.

Other Business:

None.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kelley, second by Mr. Lowden. On voice vote: Chairman Aspras, Mrs. Hausmann, Mayor Johnson, Councilwoman Kelley, Mr. Lowden, Mr. Ryder, Mr. Slenkamp, Mrs. Stech, Mr. Owen, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Romick, Mr. Dutil

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Vernacchio