

**WASHINGTON BOROUGH PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON
OCTOBER 20, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Washington Borough Planning Board was called to order by Chairman Boyle at 8:00 P.M. in the second floor Court Room of the Borough Hall. Mr. Boyle read the following statement into the record: "The requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Law", P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, have been satisfied in that adequate notice of this meeting has been published in the Star Gazette and posted on the Bulletin Board of the Borough Hall stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting as required by law." Chairman Boyle led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present:	Post, VanDeursen, Opdyke Truman, Jewell, Corica, Boyle
Absent:	Turner, Perez
Also Present:	Stuart Ours, Attorney William Gleba, Board Engineer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Meeting of September 8, 2008: Manager Corica noted one typo on the first page. Therefore it was moved by Post, seconded by Jewell to approve minutes with correction.

ROLL CALL: Post, VanDeursen, Truman,
Opdyke, Jewell, Corica, Boyle
Ayes: 6; Nays: 0; Abstentions: 1(Truman)
Motion carried.

APPLICATION:

Jay Galaiya – Informal:

Mr. Galaiya stated that the property is pre-existing and wants to split into two lots. Two driveways will also be provided. Pat Post noted that there does not seem to be enough room for the required parking on the property. Applicant stated that they can currently accommodate 7 cars. No other access other than Grand Avenue. A flag lot will be created if approved. Driveway will be one and will then split to each property. Wants two independent properties. Bob Opdyke asked if the flag lot was needed for the square footage requirement. Mr. Galaiya stated no. Mayor VanDeursen asked about putting in a grass median to distinguish the two driveways. Sees problems down the road.

Bill Gleba stated the following after a quick review of the information submitted by the applicant:

1. creating two nonconforming lots; 2. lot width will need variance; 3. also another variance for side & front; 4. sees 4 total variances; 5. common drives will need an agreement; 6. shared parking; 7. design waivers. Will need 8+ parking spaces. Utilities will need to be separated. Must notice property owners. Will need to show reasons to support variance. Mayor VanDeursen stated that there are other flag lots in town but would not be in favor of a shared driveway. Attorney Ours stated that the application should go before the Board of Adjustment because of the use variances.

NEW BUSINESS:

Professionals for 2009: Chairman Boyle stated that the Board can discuss changes if they wish. Bob Opdyke stated that he does not know much about planner except for seeing him at one meeting. John Corica & Marianne VanDeursen stated that they are both pleased with his work. He will be here with the attorney to review the redevelopment plan probably in November. Manager Corica asked the professionals to subject their expected fees for 2009.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pat Post mentioned a holiday party. All in favor to include other Boards and employees.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES: None

UNAGENDIZED STATEMENTS:

Chairman Boyle asked about the COAH map. John Corica stated that he just got it back from the assessor and will forward it to the County.

Marianne VanDeursen stated that Council will be appointing another member to the Board at Tuesday's meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS:

No discussion

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by Patricia L. Titus, Planning Board