

**WASHINGTON BOROUGH PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON
FEBRUARY 8, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Washington Borough Planning Board was called to order by Chair VanDeursen at 8:00 P.M. in the second floor Court Room/Council Chambers of the Borough Hall. Chair VanDeursen 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." Chair VanDeursen led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Present: Valentine, Post, Aron, McDonald,
Jewell, Truman, VanDeursen
Absent: Fitting, Blanchard
Also Present: Steven Gruenberg, Attorney
William Gleba, Board Engineer

Chair VanDeursen stated that Kristine Blanchard would not be in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of January 11, 2010: It was moved by McDonald seconded by Post to approve the minutes as presented.

ROLL CALL: Valentine, Post, Aron, McDonald,
Truman, Jewell, VanDeursen
Ayes: 6; Nays: 0; Abstentions: 1 (Truman)
Motion carried.

RESOLUTION/APPLICATIONS: None

APPLICATIONS:

Park Hill Apartments – Susan Gieser represented applicants for completeness. Applicant noticed for public hearing. Requested to continue through April meeting in case of bad weather.

Application is for moving soil on the property. Professionals will be at next meeting to give testimony. Attorney Gieser reviewed the application for Board members who were not familiar with original application. Completeness review letter dated 2/5/10 from Bill Gleba recommends that the application be deemed complete.

Motion by Jewell, seconded by McDonald to deem application complete.

ROLL CALL: Valentine, Post, Aron, McDonald,
Truman, Jewell, VanDeursen
Ayes: 7; Nays: 0; Abstentions: 0
Motion carried

Public hearing opened. Attorney Gruenberg reviewed the notices and found all to be in order. Motion by McDonald, seconded by Post to continue public hearing to March with no further notice to be given.

ROLL CALL: Valentine, Post, Aron, McDonald,
Truman, Jewell, VanDeursen
Ayes: 7; Nays: 0; Abstentions: 0
Motion carried

Public hearing continued to 3/8/10.

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OLD BUSINESS:

Age-restricted Conversion Law:

Attorney Gruenberg stated that the basis is for economic reasons and excess age restricted housing and the need for low and moderate income housing. General overview was given by attorney and planner. Attorney Gruenberg suggested that the Board may want to wait to discuss the issue when an application is filed.

NEW BUSINESS: None

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES: None

UNAGENDIZED STATEMENTS:

Ray Rice came forward. He stated to the Board that he bought the Toll Bros. project in October and will be before the Board in the near future.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor McDonald motioned to move and file correspondence.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m. Respectfully submitted by Patricia L. Titus, Planning Board Clerk