

Borough of Doylestown Zoning & Planning Committee

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday, September 12, 2022
Scheduled Time: 7:00 PM, Borough Council Chambers

Members present were Jennifer Jarret, Dennis Livrone, and Amy Popkin, as well as Karyn Hyland, Director of Building & Zoning.

Call to Order

The meeting of the Zoning & Planning Committee was held on Monday, September 12, 2022, and was called to order by Ms. Jarret at 7:00 PM.

Review and Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the August 8, 2022 meetings were approved as submitted.

Zoning Hearing Board

- ZHB #2022-17 122 East Court Street, 122 E Court St LLC – This application is a variance for use, to permit the twin building to be a semi-detached single-family home. Ms. Hyland noted there is no off-street parking for this property, but there is metered street parking.
- ZHB #2022-18 105 East State Street, Donald and Roseann Jones – Zoning Hearing Board has granted prior variances for this property, although the location of air conditioning units had not been previously considered. They require front yard setback relief for the proposed location.
- ZHB #2022-19 172 East Oakland Avenue, Anthony and Laurie Crecca – This is a corner lot, part of a previous subdivision and zoning relief is requested to finish the attic space. Previous permits were denied for this work, and the work was completed without permits. Violation notices were issued once the expanded floor area ratio was discovered, and the application is now being submitted after the fact.

Borough staff recommends sending the Borough Solicitor to the Zoning Hearing Board for the last application to protect the ordinances and procedures in place. All members voted to do so.

Laurie Crecca spoke to the Committee regarding the issue of completing the job without permits and apologized for doing so.

HARB Recommendations

Sign Applications – None.

Building Applications

- 30 East Oakland Avenue, Liberty Bell Realty Company – This application is to widen the side door along Taylor Avenue and add a vent for cooking. The HARB agreed to the changes, with the suggestion that the stucco color match the existing.

All applications were approved as submitted. (Popkin/Livrone)

Ordinances, Amendments & Resolutions

- Consideration of Ordinance 2022-07, Amending the Storm Water Management Ordinance – Jim Dougherty explained the changes do not alter any of the requirements, and simply addresses administrative issues within storm water management. All in attendance voted to forward the ordinance to Borough Council for approval.

Subdivision and Land Development: None.

New/Old Business: Connie Miller, 218 Shewell Avenue, asked Borough Staff and Committee members to look into the large delivery trucks on Doyle Street and their backup signals in the very early morning hours.

Adjournment: The Committee voted to adjourn at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Kramer
Meeting Minutes Secretary