

Borough of Doylestown Zoning & Planning Committee

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday, August 8, 2022
Scheduled Time: 7:00 PM, Borough Council Chambers

Members present were Chairperson Tim Brennan, Jennifer Jarret, 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, August 8, 2022, and was called to order by Mr. Brennan at 7:00 PM.

Review and Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the July 11, 2022 meetings were approved as submitted.

Zoning Hearing Board

- ZHB #2022-15 91 East State Street and 50 Garden Alley, Deborah Hecker & Richard Kempes – Application for this one property (which contains two parcels and two offices) to convert the Garden Alley building into a residence which will require dimensional relief. Ms. Hyland has not received any feedback from neighbors
- ZHB #2022-16 108 Cottage Street, Renee & Philip Bergere – This application is to remove an existing rear addition and rebuilt slightly larger, increasing the footprint by about 400 square feet and increase the floor area by approximately 800 square feet.

HARB Recommendations

Sign Applications

- 182 West Court Street, Chris Tuck – This application is to replace an existing sign. HARB approved with the condition that the bottom of the sign not be less than six inches or more than 12 inches above the current pedestal.

Building Applications

- 228 East Court Street, Thomas & Courtney Foster – This application includes a porch addition off the back and replace the porch along the side. Approved by HARB with conditions including more substantial supportive columns, as well as to remove the batter at the stove fireplace. In response to questions from Ms. Jarret, Ms. Hyland noted she has not received any concerns from neighbors.
- 307 Belmont Avenue, Chris & Sharyl Volpe – This application is a roof replacement with a standing seam front porch and proposed half-round gutters.
- 238 West Court Street, Allison McGarvey & David Roman – This is a proposed garage, previously seen as a Zoning Hearing Board application, which was approved, and is now before the HARB for their approval. Several changes were suggested, including a change in the dormer and a soldier course in the brickwork.
- 108 Cottage Street, Renee & Philip Bergere – As noted above, this application includes the removal and construction of an addition.

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

Ordinances, Amendments & Resolutions

- Authorization to Advetise Ordinance Amending the Stormwater Management Requirements – The Borough has a permit with the DEP to discharge storm water, which carries responsibility to keep the water clean and have as much as possible go into the ground. The DEP is now requiring further definitions and language in the ordinance, as well as requiring as-built plans. On a motion from Mr. Brennan to approve the ordinance advertisement, Ms. Popkin seconded, and all members voted in favor.

Subdivision and Land Development: None.

New/Old Business: Ms. Hyland reminded the Commission that there is a Comprehensive Plan meeting tomorrow.

Adjournment: The Committee voted to adjourn at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Kramer
Meeting Minutes Secretary