ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS Minutes #2019-01 January 23, 2019

Motion Carried

The regular meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of West Seneca was called to order by Chairman Timothy Elling at 7:00 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Raymond Kapuscinski and 30 seconds of silent prayer.

ROLL CALL:

Present - Timothy J. Elling, Chairman

Evelyn Hicks

Michael P. Hughes Raymond Kapuscinski

Jeffrey Baksa, Code Enforcement Officer Kimberly Conidi, Deputy Town Attorney

Absent - Richard P. Marzullo

Chairman Elling read the Fire Prevention Code instructing the public where to exit in case of a fire or an emergency.

OPENING OF PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Hicks, to open the public hearing.

Ayes: All Noes: None

APPROVAL OF PROOFS OF PUBLICATION

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Hicks, that proofs of publication and posting of legal notice be received and filed.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Kapuscinski, to approve Minutes #2018-11 of November 28, 2018.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS

2011-47

Request of Lynda Otto for renewal of a variance for property located at 183 Westcliff Drive to raise chickens

The petitioner was not present at the meeting.

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2011-47 (continued)

Motion by Elling, seconded by Hicks, to table this item until the end of the meeting.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

2011-60

Request of Dennis Sullivan for renewal of a variance for property located at 1481 Orchard Park Road to raise chickens

The petitioner was not present at the meeting.

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Elling, to table this item until the end of the meeting.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

<u>2012-36</u>

Request of Melinda & Edward Bauerlein for renewal of a variance for property located at 72 Sunset Creek Drive to raise chickens

Edward Bauerlein stated his request to renew the variance to raise chickens, noting he currently has two but would like a variance for up to five.

Chairman Elling stated no complaints were registered with the Police Department over the past year relative to the chickens.

No comments were received from the public.

Motion by Elling, seconded by Hughes, to close the public hearing and grant a one year variance for property located at 72 Sunset Creek Drive to raise a maximum of five chickens, no roosters.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

2016-99

Request of Josephine Morcelle for renewal of a variance for property located at 45 Parkside Drive to allow keeping of a pig on residential property

Chairman Elling stated the applicant had requested this item be tabled until the February meeting.

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2016-99 (continued)

Motion by Elling, seconded by Hughes, to table this item until the February meeting.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

2017-74

Review of a variance for Lamar Advertising for property located at 730 Orchard Park Road for an electronic message board within 500' of residential property for possible adjustment of the lumens

Robert Harper of Lamar Advertising requested an extension on the variance as they have not yet obtained the building permit.

Chairman Elling stated the legal notice would have to be revised to reflect the request for extension of the variance.

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Elling, to table this item until the February meeting to allow for revision of the legal notice.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

2017-59

Request of Robert Jemiolo for renewal of variances for property located at 3369 – 3385 Clinton Street to: 1) allow outdoor patio seating until 9 P.M. Sunday – Thursday and until 11 P.M. Friday and Saturday; 2) allow an unpaved parking lot

The petitioner was not present at the meeting.

Motion by Elling, seconded by Hicks, to table this item until the end of the meeting.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

2018-67

Request of Jim Popiela of Santoro Sign Company for a variance for property located at 172 Slade Avenue to construct a new sign with no setback (10' setback required)

The petitioner was not present at the meeting.

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2018-67 (continued)

Motion by Hicks, seconded by Hughes, to table this item until the end of the meeting.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

2019-01

Request of Brian Tefft for a variance for property located at 1750 Transit Road to construct a 15' high accessory structure (maximum 12' high accessory structure)

Chairman Elling stated the applicant requested this item be tabled until the next meeting.

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Elling, to table this item until the February meeting.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

2019-02

Request of Frank Zappia of Pro Tech LED for a variance for property located at 3512 Clinton Street to construct an LED sign within 500' of residential property

Frank Zappia stated his request to convert the existing sign at St. John's Lutheran Church on Clinton Street into an LED sign, noting the new sign will be 4 sf smaller than the existing sign.

Mrs. Hicks stated she is recusing herself from voting on this item as she is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church.

Chairman Elling stated he was in receipt of letters of approval from surrounding property owners, but questioned some addresses on Orchard Avenue that were omitted. He suggested Mr. Zappia obtain those signatures and return to the next meeting.

No comments were received from the public.

Motion by Elling, seconded by Hughes, to table this item pending receipt of letters of approval from Orchard Avenue property owners.

Ayes: All Noes: None Abstentions: (1) Mrs. Hicks Motion Carried

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2011-47

Request of Lynda Otto for renewal of a variance for property located at 183 Westcliff Drive to raise chickens

Lynda Otto stated her request to renew the variance to raise chickens and questioned if the variance could be approved for longer than one year

Chairman Elling stated no complaints were registered with the Police Department over the past year relative to the chickens. He also stated the Zoning Board would like to review these variances annual to ensure there are no problems in the neighborhoods.

Code Enforcement Officer Jeffrey Baksa advised the Town Code would have to be amended to allow for raising chickens and residents could petition the Town Board to begin the process.

No comments were received from the public.

Motion by Elling, seconded by Kapuscinski, to close the public hearing and grant a one year variance for property located at 183 Westcliff Drive to raise a maximum of six chickens, no roosters.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

2011-60

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Motion by Elling, seconded by Hicks, to table this item until the February meeting.

Ayes: All Noes: None Motion Carried

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2017-59 (continued)

Motion by Hicks, seconded by Elling, to table this item until the February meeting.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

2018-67

Request of Jim Popiela of Santoro Sign Company for a variance for property located at 172 Slade Avenue to construct a new sign with no setback (10' setback required)

The petitioner was not present at the meeting.

Motion by Hughes, seconded by Kapuscinski, to table this item until the February meeting.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Hicks, seconded by Elling, to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 P.M.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

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Town Clerk/Zoning Board Secretary

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