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## LITTLE FALLS PLANNING BOARD VIRTUAL MEETING WAS CONDUCTED MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF January 7, 2021

Members Present:	W. Kilpatrick (Chairman) R. Greco (V. Chairman) C. Gaita K. Barry L. Damiano M. Seber D. Cataldo (1 <sup>st</sup> Alt.) R. Corage (2 <sup>nd</sup> Alt.) D. Damiano (3 <sup>rd</sup> Alt.)	Also Present:	Mayor James Damiano Anthony Sgobba (Councilman) Richard Brigliadoro, Esq. Thomas Lemanowicz (Engineer) Valerie Laky (Board Secretary)
	M. Pocius (4 <sup>th</sup> Alt.)		

Members Absent: J. Strothers

The "virtual" meeting of the Planning Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Chairman stating at least 48 hours' advanced notice of this meeting was given to The Herald & News, The Bergen Record, the Little Falls Website, filed with the Township Clerk, and a copy of the notice was placed on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building.

**<u>Council to Address the Board</u>**: Council stated no one came forward with any concerns at this time.

Approval of Minutes: December 3, 2020

Mr. Greco motioned, seconded by Mr. Barry to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2020 regular virtual meeting of the Board.

Poll of the Board: Ayes: Greco, Gaita, Barry, L. Damiano, Seber, Cataldo, Corage, Pocius, and Chairman Kilpatrick

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the Minutes Approved.

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

1. <u>Christine and Pablo Gonzalez</u> – property located at 31 Notchcroft Drive, Little Falls, NJ, Block 171, Lot 42. Variance relief in connection with construction of an addition to a single-family house.

Mr. Greco motioned, seconded by Mr. Barry to approve the resolution as presented.

Poll of the Board: Ayes: Greco, Gaita, Barry, L. Damiano, Mayor Damiano, Councilman Sgobba, Cataldo and Chairman Kilpatrick

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the resolution APPROVED.

2. <u>Singac Volunteer Company 3</u> – 517 Main Street, Little Falls, NJ Block 53, Lot 3 – Extension of Minor Subdivision approval/lot line adjustment with variance relief.

Mr. Greco motioned, seconded by Mr. Barry to approve the resolution as presented.

Poll of the Board: Ayes: Greco, Gaita, Barry, L. Damiano, Mayor Damiano, Councilman Sgobba, Cataldo and Chairman Kilpatrick

Nays: None The Chairman declared the resolution APPROVED.

## APPLICATIONS:

1. <u>Singac Volunteer Company 3</u> – 517 Main Street, Little Falls, NJ Block 53, Lot 3 – Extension of Minor Subdivision approval/lot line adjustment with variance relief.

John Veteri, Jr., Esq. came forward to state that the applicant is seeking an extension of a minor subdivision/lot line adjustment approval with variance relief. This applicant was previously granted a minor subdivision/lot line adjustment approval with "c" variance, wherein the lot area for the firehouse lot was increased from 9,710 sq. ft. to 10,170 sq. ft., and the Nail Associates, LLC (Pharmacy Building) lot was decreased in lot area from 9,617 sq. ft. to 9,158 sq. ft. The approval was given to the applicant on February 6, 2020. Because the approval will expire (190 days from the date of Resolution), the applicant is seeking an extension of time in order to perfect the minor subdivision. The applicant has submitted a subdivision deed for review of the Board Engineer and Board Attorney, and once approved, all that remains is for the applicant to perfect the minor subdivision by recording the subdivision deed. There have been no zoning changes to impact this approval, and the Board is satisfied with granting the extension of time.

At this time, the meeting was opened to the public for any questions of the Applicant. No one coming forward, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public. No more questions from the Board, the meeting was closed, and opened for a motion.

Mr. Greco motioned, seconded by Mr. Barry to approve and grant the extension from March 9, 2020 and continuing for so long as a public health emergency, which was declared by the Governor due to Covid-19, remains in effect. All terms and conditions previously granted will remain in effect except as satisfied or modified by the current Resolution of this meeting.

Poll of the Board: Ayes: Greco, Gaita, Barry, L. Damiano, Mayor Damiano, Councilman Sgobba, Cataldo, and Chairman Kilpatrick

Nays: None

The Chairman declared the application APPROVED.

1. <u>Mary Ann Morrison</u> – property located at 152 Second Avenue, Little Falls, NJ, Block 148, Lot 5. Variance relief in connection with minor expansion of the first floor of the dwelling to the rear.

The applicant, Mary Ann Morrison came forward to state that she was not represented by counsel. She stated that she currently occupies this property and is seeking approval in order to construct a 126 sq. ft. bathroom/laundry room addition to the first floor of the dwelling to accommodate her 93 yr. old mother who lives with her. She stated that there will be no basement proposed for under the new construction (just a crawl space). She also stated that the runoff will not be discharged onto the neighbor's property. She said that the new addition will not be visible from the front of the house and is in character with the neighboring properties. The side yard setback will continue to maintain the 3.1 ft. for the entire length of the new addition and this will require a variance relief. The lot width currently is 50 ft. (a minimum lot width is 75 ft. is required). The Board was required to grant a variance relief for a side yard setback, for the accessory building (detached garage which encroaches the property line), and the lot width. She asked the Board to consider this application as it will be a great benefit to her mother.

The meeting was opened to the public for questions. No one coming forward, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

Mr. Greco motioned, seconded by Mr. Gaita to approve this application with the existing variances for side yard setback, accessory building encroachment, and lot width.

Poll of the Board: Ayes: Greco, Gaita, Barry, L. Damiano, Mayor Damiano, Councilman Sgobba, Seber, Cataldo, and Chairman Kilpatrick Nays: None The Chairman declared the application APPROVED.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Approval of the Bills: None presented

Adjournment: 7:50 P.M.