

**Township of Washington
Bergen County, New Jersey
Planning Board Meeting Minutes
July 29, 2015**

Meeting called to Order at 7:35 p.m.

First Order of Business: Salutation to the Flag

Open Public Meetings Act Statement - In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, notification of this meeting has been sent to The Ridgewood News, our official newspaper in the Township of Washington and notice has been posted on the bulletin board at Town Hall.

Roll Call Taken:

Messrs. Dumaresq, Golick, Murphy, Pinnick, Councilman Sears, Mayor Sobkowitz, Chairman Calamari. Absent: Mr. Sabino.

Attorney Wertalik and Paul Azzolina were also present.

A motion was made by Mr. Golick, seconded by Mr. Dumaresq, to approve the Acting Planning Board Secretary.

Ayes: Messrs. Dumaresq, Golick, Murphy, Pinnick, Councilman Sears, Mayor Sobkowitz, Chairman Calamari.

Absent: Mr. Sabino.

A motion was made by Mr. Golick, seconded by Mr. Dumaresq, to open the Public Portion.

Ayes: Messrs. Dumaresq, Golick, Murphy, Pinnick, Councilman Sears, Mayor Sobkowitz, Chairman Calamari

Absent: Mr. Sabino.

A motion was made by Mr. Dumaresq, seconded by Mr. Murphy, to close the Public Portion.

Ayes: Messrs. Dumaresq, Golick, Murphy, Pinnick, Councilman Sears, Mayor Sobkowitz, Chairman Calamari.

Absent: Mr. Sabino

Family House, LLC, d/b/a Keith Jensen, 1154 Washington Avenue, Block 1102, Lot 7.01 & 8.01: applicant seeks approval to subdivide property into two .750 acres, demolish present home and construct two single family dwellings and includes soil movement.

Mr. Golick recuses himself since this location is his neighbor.

Mr. Joe Hernandez of 45 Horizon Court, Township of Washington, New Jersey and

Mr. Richard Eichenlaub of R & L Engineering, 24 Wampun Road, Park Ridge, NJ

are both sworn in by Mr. Wertalik

Chairman Calamari reviews Capt. Hackbarth's report and notes that it has been the Board's procedure to waive sidewalk requirement when there is no start or end point. Discussion ensues pertaining to sidewalk requirements. Chairman Calamari recommends that a vote be taken to eliminate the sidewalks.

Mr. Jensen joins the meeting at 7:45 and is reminded by Mr. Wertalik that he is still under oath.

Motion was made by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Dumaresq to waive sidewalk requirement.

Ayes: Messrs. Dumaresq, Murphy, Pinnick, Councilman Sears, Mayor Sobkowicz, Chairman Calamari.

Absent: Mr. Sabino

Recuse: Mr. Golick

Mayor Sobkowicz notes that Capt. Hackbarth's remaining recommendations should be incorporated into the resolutions.

Chairman Calamari asks Mr. Azzolina about the soil movement application and process. Mr. Azzolina reviews the soil movement requirements and refers to his letter dated June 24, 2015 and Soil Movement Applications dated May 13, 2014. Mr. Azzolina also reviews the order of the homes to be constructed as it pertains to the movement of the soil.

Mr. Azzolina seeks clarification if the structures are going to be built concurrently.

Mr. Eichenlaub notes that both foundations can go in at the same time and the sites will be graded appropriately to accommodate soil movement. With that, which home is framed first does not matter as much.

Mr. Azzolina notes that they should take the deck construction into consideration.

Mr. Jensen adds that that they will work with Building Department

Mayor Sobkowicz seeks clarification if soil will be removed.

Mr. Eichenlaub responds that approximately seven (7) truck-loads of soil will be removed.

Mr. Azzolina also notes that approval must be received from County before they can start.

Motion was made by Mr. Dumaresq seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the Family House, LLC, d/b/a Keith Jensen, 1154 Washington Avenue, Block 1102, Lot 7.01 & 8.01

Ayes: Messrs. Dumaresq, Murphy, Pinnick and Mayor Sobkowicz,

Absent: Mr. Sabino

Recuse: Mr. Golick

Nay: Councilman Sears. Notes that he is not comfortable with the plans as they have been presented; and that's why he is not comfortable in granting approval to move forward.

Mayor Sobkowicz notes that while the Board approves this application she seeks confirmation that the applicant will adhere to all aspects of the resolution.

Mr. Wortalik notes that for the record the resolutions will cover three aspects: demolition, sub-division and soil movement.

Mr. Jensen notes that based on conversations with his neighbor can the 6 foot trees be lower in height?

Mayor Sobkowicz states that the landscaping plan is subject to review by the Board. And, that when it is time to plant trees the plans can be further reviewed. However, as it stands, what is in the resolution is what must be followed.

A motion was made by Councilman Sears, seconded by Mr. Golick to adjourn.
Ayes: Messrs. Dumaresq, Golick, Murphy, Pinnick, Councilman Sears, Mayor Sobkowicz, Chairman Calamari
Absent: Mr. Sabino.

Time Noted: 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Elaine Erlewein
Acting Planning Board Secretary