

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, BERGEN COUNTY
PLANNING BOARD ~ MEETING MINUTES
October 2, 2019 7:30 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Murphy

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Welcome to the regularly scheduled meeting of the Township of Washington Planning Board. Adequate notice of the meeting was given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by the Planning Board Secretary to the Bergen Record and The Ridgewood News newspapers. This notice has been posted on the Township Bulletin Board and on the Township Web Site.

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ROLL CALL: Present - Mr. Pinnick, Mr. Sabino, Mr. Scudieri, Mr. Sears, Mr. Toro,
Mayor Calamari, Chairman Murphy
Absent - Mr. Vinagre, Councilman Cumming

ALSO PRESENT: Board Engineer-Paul Azzolina, Board Attorney – Louis Lamatina, Esq.

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC PORTION:

Motion: Mr. Sears **Second:** Mr. Toro

ROLL CALL: All Ayes

Chairman Murphy: Since I see no one in the audience this evening, other than our Applicant, may I have a motion to close the public portion.

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC PORTION:

Motion: Mr. Sears **Second:** Mr. Toro

ROLL CALL: All Ayes - Motion carries

NEW BUSINESS:

Application of KA Store, LLC trading as Township Stationery, seeking Site Plan approval for exterior signage replacement in connection with the leasehold of Unit #299A Pascack Road in Washington Town Center.

Chairman Murphy invites the Applicant to come forward to be sworn in.

Board Attorney swears in Mr. Thakkar.

Chairman Murphy: Can we have your name and address for the record, please.

Mr. Thakkar: Jagadish Thakkar, 151 Tillman Street, Westwood, New Jersey 07675.

Chairman Murphy: You have received the report from the Engineer?

Mr. Thakkar: Yes, I have.

Chairman Murphy: So, we will run through that. Paul – is there anything you want to address?

Board Engineer: No – just, actually, there were 2 signs by 2 different people companies...

Mr. Thakkar: By mistake, I gave the one to you, but Letter Perfect will actually be doing the sign. The person whom you spoke with.

Board Engineer: Seeing that I spoke to the Applicant last week – he confirmed that the Letter Perfect was the company he was going to utilize. His initial plan had an overall length of 156 inches, as opposed to the 150 that you are looking at now. 156 would be 6 inches too long, so I contacted his signage contractor, and he was able to review the plan which I attached to my report, and it complies with respect to the length now being 12'6" max in the horizontal direction and less than 4 ft. in the vertical direction. So, the sign as presented – it does not have a revision date, but it was attached to my report dated September 27, 2019.

Chairman Murphy: And that is the different company – Letter Perfect- is that the company?

Board Engineer – Actually, my package contained two signage detail – one from Letter Perfect, and one from Quality Signs.

Mr. Thakkar: I don't know why that was attached – somehow that was in my files from the previous one.

Chairman Murphy: So, we have the right one in this package...

Board Engineer: The right one was attached to my report. So, the standard comment would apply that the Applicant needs to, if the Board approves the signage, he needs to obtain the construction permit, electrical permit from the Building Department, and that **would be the extent of it.**

Chairman Murphy: Okay. Does anyone have any questions of the Applicant or the application?

There was no one.

Mr. Sears: Paul did a good job on it – thank you Paul.

Chairman Murphy: Then, may I have a motion to accept the application as submitted.

Motion: Mr. Toro **Second:** Mr. Sears

ROLL CALL: All Ayes - Motion carries 7-0

Chairman Murphy: Good luck with that new sign.

Mr. Thakkar: Next I go to the Building Department?

Chairman Murphy: Yes. We have a Resolution to do right now. If everyone would take a minute to look at the Resolution.

Chairman Murphy: Does anyone have any questions or comments on the Resolution?

There was no one.

Chairman Murphy: Then may I have a motion to accept the Resolution as presented for KA Store, LLC, T/A Township Stationery?

Motion: Mr. Toro **Second:** Mr. Sears

ROLL CALL: All Ayes - Motion carries 7-0

A signed Resolution was given to the Applicant.

Chairman Murphy: We have the Minutes of October 28, 2015. Can I have a Motion to approve those, but...

Board Attorney: I will note, Mr. Chairman, there is an error – it says I was the board attorney, and I was not at that time.

Mr. Sabino: Brian, I thought I was here for the whole Foodtown discussion, and this says I was not.

Board Secretary: Who was the attorney at that time?

Chairman Murphy: Bob Wertalik. Lou, correct me if I can't do this... and I'm going to say Len is right, because both of us not here was a little odd.

Mr. Sabino: I remember the testimony by the owner of Foodtown.

Chairman Murphy: So, with the change that you were here, you can vote on it and Tom can vote on it, and apparently, I can't. The minutes be presented as submitted with the correction that you (Mr. Sabino) were here

MOTION TO APPROVE OCTOBER 28, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Mr. Sears **Second:** Mr. Sabino

ROLL CALL: All Ayes – Motion carries.

MOTION TO APPROVE JULY 24, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Mr. Sears **Second:** Mr. Toro

ROLL CALL: All Ayes – Motion carries.

ANY BOARD MEMBER, ANY REASON – There was no one.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion: Mr. Sears **Second:** Mr. Toro

ROLL CALL: All Ayes

ADJOURNMENT – TIME NOTED: 7:48

AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE

PLANNING BOARD

APPROVAL DATE 10/30/19

CHAIRMAN [Signature]

SECRETARY Barbara Coleman