

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
Planning Board Meeting
September 19, 2012**

Call to Order: In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, notification of this meeting has been published in the Ridgewood News, our official newspaper in the Township of Washington, notice has been advertised on the official Township of Washington website, and posted on the bulletin board at Town Hall.

First Order of Business: Salutation to the Flag

Roll Call: Messrs. Dumaresq, Murphy, Sabino, Councilman D'Urso, Mayor Sobkowicz, Chairman Calamari. Messrs. Golick, Pinnick and Mrs. Do are absent.

Motion to Open Public Portion

Motion: Murphy, Sabino

Roll Call: Messrs. Dumaresq, Murphy, Sabino, Councilman D'Urso, Mayor Sobkowicz, Chairman Calamari. Messrs. Golick, Pinnick and Mrs. Do are absent.

Mrs. D'Ambra of 423 Colonial Blvd. requests the new street of the Stagger Lee subdivision be named after one of our departed war heroes.

Motion to Close Public Portion

Motion: Murphy, Sabino

Roll Call: Messrs. Dumaresq, Murphy, Sabino, Councilman D'Urso, Mayor Sobkowicz, Chairman Calamari. Messrs. Golick, Pinnick and Mrs. Do are absent.

Ongoing Business:

Stagger Lee, LLC Linwood Avenue

Amended Resolution needs to be executed.

Chairman Calamari requests that the Board adopt the new process previously discussed of not having Resolutions read; unless there are concerns surrounding that Resolution.

**Motion to Approve Site Plan Resolution on
Mr. and Mrs. Santaite of 570 Pascack Road**

Motion: Murphy, Dumaresq

Roll Call: Messrs. Dumaresq, Murphy, Sabino, Councilman D'Urso, Mayor Sobkowicz, Chairman Calamari. Messrs. Golick, Pinnick and Mrs. Do are absent.

Recuse: Mr. Sabino

Motion to approve Soil Movement Resolution on Mr. and Mrs. Santaite of 570 Pascack Road

Motion: Murphy, Dumaresq

Roll Call: Messrs. Dumaresq, Murphy, Councilman D'Urso, Mayor Sobkowitz, Chairman Calamari. Messrs. Golick and Pinnick along with Mrs. Do are absent.

Recuse: Mr. Sabino

Washington Town Center, Pascack Road – Signage Discussion

Mr. Abrahams recaps aspects of the previous meetings and requests that consideration be given to approving the two real estate signs for a period of time. Discussion ensues as to what the appropriate amount of time would be and the zoning aspects of the Center. All present agree to have a Resolution drawn which would include a one year renewal requirement for the signs and updates to all appropriate variances.

In addition, various options are discussed pertaining to the marque.

Mr. Abrahams states that the existing tenants have lease rights to the marque. With that, the existing marque has to remain as is. Discussion ensues regarding various options of further promoting the business; including trimming the existing trees.

Mayor Sobkowitz requests and receives approval to ask questions not relating to the signs but to the **Azarian Group**. First she asks if the Azarian group is responsible for handling any rodent issues; **Mr. Azarian** has not been informed of any issues and 2) what is their snow removal process.

Mr. Azarian replies that they use the same snow removal company, so they would know the town's policy.

Motion to Approve Application for the Azarian Real Estate Signs on Washington Town Center.

Motion: Murphy, Dumaresq

Roll Call: Messrs. Dumaresq, Murphy, Sabino, Councilman D'Urso, Mayor Sobkowitz, Chairman Calamari. Messrs. Golick and Pinnick along with Mrs. Do are absent.

Chairman Calamari notes that there are small business advertising signs being placed along Pascack Road. **Mr. Abrahams** states that they will send memo asking the store owners to refrain from doing this. **Mayor Sobkowitz** outlines new process on obtaining store front signage approval.

Fees - Chairman Calamari notes that there is an ordinance that states if a resident is on an irregular size lot, that they must receive approval from the Planning Board on certain items. With that, there is a homeowner who would like to replace an existing patio and add another one. If not for this ordinance, this item would not be in front of the Board.

Based on Mr. Ritchie's review all is within the appropriate guidelines. Resident seeks reduction in fees, for they have paid all other filing fees and do not require an Engineers report for this structure. It can be reviewed and handled by the Building Department. All Members present agree to reduce rate to of \$500.00

Being no further business, a motion was made by **Chairman Calamari**, seconded **Mr. Sabino** by to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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Planning Board
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