

## **Work Session of May 13, 2013**

Vice-Chairman Joseph Mele called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Roll Call: Amy Hummerstone, Larry Metzger, Peter Kortright, Joan Fragala, Joseph Mele, Oliver Wilhelm, Amy Lefkowitz, Jim Van Kruiningen Late: Chairman Brent Pohlman Absent: Deputy Mayor Trawinski

Also Present: Board Attorney Thomas Randall, Board Engineer Jeffrey Morris, Board Secretary Cathryn Hochkeppel

### **Statutory Review of Ordinance No. 2271-13 – impervious coverage**

The Board conducted its statutory review of Ordinance No. 2271-13. Vice Chairman Mele stated his comment is that someone could go to the extreme with the porous pavers without a percentage limitation. Peter Kortright added that for many reasons, including aesthetics, there needs to be a certain percentage limitation. A good compromise would be to allow an additional ten percent of coverage if using the porous pavers. Amy Hummerstone noted that the current impervious limitation is 35% and this would bring it up to 45%. She thought it might be too generous. The Board members also discussed granting a percentage of the pool surface area rather than exempting the entire surface. Ms. Hochkeppel reminded the Board that these were recommendations of the Zoning Board that the Planning Board had previously discussed. It was the general consensus of the Board that 50% of the surface area be considered pervious and 50% be considered impervious. It was noted that pools are only open a few months of the year and often they are covered in the cooler months. Larry Metzger thought that that in-ground pools and above ground pools could be treated differently but it was the general consensus that all types of pools be treated the same. Peter Kortright commented that the ordinance as written would be contrary to the concept of open space as emphasized in the master plan. It was the unanimous consensus of the Board to strongly recommend against adoption of the ordinance as written. Ms. Hochkeppel was asked to convey the Board's recommendation to the Borough Attorney and Council.

### **Ordinance No. 2272-13 – Rezoning Naugle House**

It was noted that an open space zone has been created and the Naugle House property is being rezoned Open Space. There was some concern about the property being developed, and Chairman Pohlman reminded the Board that the property is deed restricted and was purchased with open space funds so it cannot be developed regardless of the zoning; however, he agreed with the rezoning of the property. It was noted that the master plan subcommittee will be looking at other properties in the Borough that should be rezoned open space. It was the unanimous consensus of the Board to recommend adoption of the ordinance consistent with the Master Plan.

## **BIC food handler application**

Peter Kortright suggested that the Block and Lot be switched on the application and that the line for the attorney be reworded so an applicant is not under the impression that they must have an attorney. Ms. Hochkeppel explained that Code issues are taken care of by the Building Department. Her function is simply to determine if a hearing before the Board is required or can be waived pursuant to the Ordinance. It was noted that a Turkish restaurant has applied at the space previously occupied by The Picnic Restaurant.

## **Adjournment**

Upon motion by Jim Van Kruiningen and a second by Amy Hummerstone, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathryn Hochkeppel  
Secretary of the Board