

Borough of River Edge/ Municipal Land Use Board

Meeting Minutes

June 22, 2017

PRESENT:

Mayor	Edward J. Mignone
Chair	James Arakelian
Vice-Chair	Richard Mehrman
Board Member	Eileen Boland
Board Member	Lou Grasso
Board Member	Chris Caslin
Attorney	Brian Chewcaskie

ABSENT:

Secretary	Dr. Jeffrey Gewirtz
Board Member	Councilman Vito Acquafredda
Board Member	John Monroe
Alt. Board Member	Michael Krey
Zoning Official	Mark Skerbetz
Planner	Tom Behrens
Engineer	Robert Costa

Opening

The Work Session Meeting of the Borough of River Edge/ Municipal Land Use Board was called to order at 8:00PM on June 22, 2017 by Chair James Arakelian.

Salute to Flag – Board Member Eileen Boland

Sunshine Law (Open Public Meetings Act)

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by sending notices on December 23, 2016 to The Record and The Ridgewood News, by posting on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Borough Hall, and filing a notice of the same with the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call by Attorney Brian Chewcaskie

Work Session

New Business

Approve the Minutes of June 8, 2017 – Motion by Mayor Mignone, second by Vice-Chair Mehrman to accept these minutes.

All in favor 5-0 – Mr. Caslin abstained – He wasn't there for much of this meeting.

Chair Arakelian welcomed Albert Naltner and his father, Dariuez Naltner to the MLU Board Meeting. Albert stated he was attending this meeting to earn his Boy Scout /Citizenship Award.

Old Business – Resolution

A. Kelm - Application #2017-08

541 Monroe Court

701/8 Bulk Variance needed for: Improved lot coverage

Attorney Chewcaskie stated that the Board has this resolution, the conditions (the non-standard ones.....the applicant shall apply for and obtain a soil movement permit to the extent that one may be required, and that the applicant is required to submit a revised, sign and sealed drawing to the Board depicting the proposed deck prior to the issuing of the permit.

Mayor Mignone stated that they don't have to submit to the Board just to the Zoning Officer.

Attorney Chewcaskie stated that he crossed out the word Board and put in Zoning Officer. Attorney Chewcaskie said he would have it corrected and sent to Nicole tomorrow (June 23, 2017).

Approve the resolution of Application #2017-08 as amended. - Motion by Vice-Chair Mehrman, to approve as amended, second by Mr. Grasso.

All in favor 5-0 – Mr. Caslin abstained – He wasn't there for much of this meeting.

Chair Arakelian discussed the NJ Training for the Land Use and Zoning Board Members that is being held on Saturday, June 24, 2017. He also stated that he believed that there would be another training session up here in the fall.

Chair Arakelian asked for a motion to open the meeting to the Public - Motion by Mayor Mignone, second by Vice-Chair Mehrman.

Mayor Mignone stated it was Albert Naltner's opportunity to ask questions.

Chair Arakelian explained the responsibilities of the MLU Board, and Mayor Mignone explained what the terms are for both the MLU Board and the Mayor.

Mr. Naltner asked how often the Board meets, and Chair Arakelian answered twice a month. He also explained that the MLU Board recently took over the responsibilities of the Zoning Board and that it is an exciting time to be part the MLU Board.

Mayor Mignone explained the conditions that are attached to the different Boards.

Mr. Naltner thanked the Board for letting them sit up front.

Chair Arakelian thanked them both for coming and invited them back anytime.

Chair Arakelian asked for a motion to close the meeting to the public - Motion by Mayor Mignone, second by Vice-Chair Mehrman.

All in favor 6-0

.Meeting was adjourned at 8:12PM by Mayor Mignone, second by Mr. Grasso.

All in favor 6-0

Minutes submitted by: Carol Byrne

Approved on: July 27, 2017