

Longport - Planning/Zoning Board Minutes March 23, 2011

A regularly scheduled and advertised meeting of the Longport Planning/Zoning Board was held on Wednesday, March 23 at 7:00 PM. Chairman McAllister was not present for this meeting and Vice-Chairman Joel Goldman presided. Board Members present for this meeting were: Vice-Chairman Joel Goldman, Richard Hirsch, Len Geria, Liz Donaghy, Bill Wilds, Joe Marcasciano and Michael Affanato.

A motion was made by Len Geria to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the last meeting (January 2011) and seconded by Bill Wilds.

The only application of the evening was Louis Polisano, 2406 Oberon Ave, Block 22 Lot 5 in the RSF 3 Zoning District. The application was presented by Christopher Baylinson, Esquire. The property in question required a variance for coverage. The applicant proposes to build a second story over the existing frame structure to encompass the masonry garage as well.

The applicant stated that he was removing about 9% of the concrete surrounding the property. Mr. Polisano was sworn and testified to his needs for more living space. A side yard shower was present at the time the property was purchased by Mr. Polisano and will stay. Mr. Baylinson pointed out that the second story addition, while going over the masonry garage will not be built out to the existing garage wall. The garage is a pre existing non conformity.

In a discussion by Board Members, Len Geria questioned the garage will now become part of the principal structure. The garage cannot be improved. Joe Marcasciano questioned the grass in the right of way as a condition of the variance.

Dick Carter recommended the use of porous pavers wherever concrete was removed.

There was no one available for the Public Portion.

As a condition of the variance, a license will have to be gotten from the Borough of Longport for a step that encroaches into the right of way. Replacement of pavers where concrete will be disturbed and no internal stairway from the garage.

A motion in the affirmative was made by Michael Affanato and seconded by Richard Hirsch. The vote: Michael Affanato, Yes Richard Hirsch, Yes Bill Wilds, Yes Joe Marcasciano, Yes Liz Donaghy, Yes Len Geria, Yes Joel Goldman, Yes.

In a discussion of a letter received by Chairman McAllister written by Mr. Mark Asher, a licensed architect it was determined that Mr. Asher should be invited to speak before the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting on April 27, 2011.

A motion was made to adjourn.