

Zoning Board of Sugar Hill

June 13, 2017

Members: Jim Keefe, John Colony, Mike Hern, Amy Venezia

Guests: Judith Weisenberger, Robin Heath, James Price, Dan Kenerson, Dawn Aldrich, Carol Hammond, Quinn Colgan, Paul Mitchell, Pam Yarosh, Linda Copson, Bobbe McIntyre, Nancy Coopson, Richard Larcom, Margo Connors

Chairman Mike Hern called the meeting to order at 5:30PM on Tuesday, June 13, 2017. On a motion made by Mike Hern, seconded by John Colony the minutes of the April meeting were approved and accepted. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Chairman Hern explained that there was only 4 board members present and the applicants had to option to reschedule or continue with the hearings. Both parties opted to continue with the hearings.

Case 17-01 Pamela Yarosh

Special Exception

Pamela Yarosh presented her plans to increase her capacity from 6 to 12 dogs. Ms. Yarosh and abutter Paul Mitchell agreed to a written plan that was presented to the Board and read by Chairman Hern (see attached). The conditions outlined in the agreement were:

1. There shall be no more than 12 dogs, no more than 14 dogs total on the property during normal business hours of 8-5 Monday – Friday
2. There shall be no more than 8 dogs contracted to board overnight, with no more than 2 additional dogs received for emergency shelter, for a total of not more than 12 dogs on the property overnight or at any time during the weekends (5pm Friday through 8AM on Monday)
3. Bark collars will be supplied for any persistent barking dog on an as needed basis and required as part of a contract for boarding every dog
4. A 6-foot-tall stockade type fence and evergreen tree screening shall be installed on the north and west sides of the business
5. No exterior dog pen areas shall be installed on the north and west sides of the existing kennel
6. Dog door access to the exterior dog pen areas shall be limited to between the hours of 8am-8:30pm and only when an employee is present on the property

Audience members present on behalf of Ms. Yarosh were in favor of this expansion. Chairman Hern closed the public hearing portion of the meeting so the Board could discuss and vote. The Board reviewed the special exception. Chairman Hern made a motion to approve the special exception with the conditions outlined above and in the attached agreement between Pamela Yarosh and Paul Mitchell, Jim Keefe seconded motion. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Case 17-03 Danforth Kenerson

Special Exception

Dan Kenerson presented his plans to the Board explaining that he is proposing a 72x60 building to house his woodworking business on Rt 18. He explained that he has no employees and although there is room for potential clients to visit the shop he does not anticipate this happen on a regular basis. Now, he is not planning for any signage and Chairman Hern explained that there are regulations regarding signage requirements in the ordinance when and if he comes to wanting to put one up. It was noted that the Planning Board reviewed the plans at their meeting last week and did not have any issues.

Chairman Hern called the public portion of the hearing to a close so the Board could review. The Board reviewed the plans, on a motion made by Chairman Hern, seconded by Jim Keefe the special exception was moved to be approved. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

With no more business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Amy Venezia

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