

Borough of Wood-Ridge Planning Board

Minutes of April 2, 2024

Wood-Ridge Municipal Building Council Chamber

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Finke. Chairman Finke read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Attendance was as follows:

- Class IV Members: Chairman Frank Finke – present
 Vice Chair Kevin Trotter – excused
 Robert Ruhle – excused
 Anthony Iacovino - present
 Christopher J. Inserra – present
 Omid S. Irani, Esq. – present
- Class I Member (Mayor’s Alternate): Borough Administrator Christopher Eilert – present/leave 7:05
- Class II Member: Zoning Officer Richard Pronti – present
- Class III Member: Councilman Michael Donato – present
- Class IV Alternate Members: Anthony Sarlo (Alt #1)-present
 Donald Conger (Alternate #2) present
 Christian Leone (Alternate #3) present
- Secretary: Cathleen Calabro – present
- Attorney: Gerald Salerno, Esq. – present
- Engineer/Planner: Brian Intindola, PE – present

The minutes of the **January 2, 2024** meeting were approved on a motion by Irani second by Donato and a roll call of all members present voting yes.

Under New Business the following Ordinance was presented:

Ordinance 2024-6 – An Ordinance amending Chapter 530,. Entitled Zoning

Ordinance 2024-6 was approved on a motion by Inserra that the board finds the proposed ordinance is consistent with the Master Plan and recommends that the Governing Body adopt same, second by Irani and a roll call of all members present voting yes.

Also Under New Business the following application was presented:

Application 2024-59A – David Mandieta
48 Fourth Street – 218/12
2nd Story Addition

Tomasz Bona the applicant’s architect, was sworn in. He testified that the applicant is expanding an existing non-conforming addition to his primary home.

David Mendieta was sworn in. He is the owner of the single-family home for about 3 years. He is proposing to construct a second story addition consisting of three bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. The addition will be consistent with the foot print of the structure and will be within the height

limitations. The expansion requires a variance approval due to an existing non-conforming rear yard setback.

Brian Intindola, the boards Engineer stated this application is before the board because it is a C1 Variance and the applicant does meet that criteria. There would be no detriment to the public good.

Chairman Finke declared the hearing of citizens to be open.

Mario Palmieri resides at 408 Center Street and wanted the board to know he is in favor of the application.

With no one wishing to be heard, Chairman Finke declared the Hearing of Citizens closed.

Application 2024-59A was approved on a motion by Iacovino second by Inserra and a roll call of all Class IV members present voting yes.

A special meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers.

With no other business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Submitted by:


Cathleen Calabro, Planning Board Secretary


Date