

THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST
Planning Board
Meeting Minutes – 4 October 2017 5 p.m.

Chairman Davenport called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m. and lead the Pledge of Allegiance. The statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings act of 1975 was read by the chairman.

Roll call was taken by the secretary: Alvarado, absent; Compare, absent; Davenport, present; Melchiorre, present; Schiff, present; Sciarra, absent; Hunt, absent; Mettler, present; Gould, present; Groon, present; Solicitor Belasco, absent; Board Planner, Michelle Taylor, absent; Zoning Official Malia, absent; Secretary Rogers, present.

Mrs. Gould moved to dispense with the public reading of the minutes of the meeting of 6 September 2017 and approve as distributed; Mr. Melchiorre seconded. Roll call: Schiff, yes; Melchiorre, yes; Mettler, yes; D'Antonio, yes; Davenport, yes; Gould, yes; Groon, yes. Minutes approved as distributed.

There were no applications to come before the Board.

There were no resolutions memorializing Board actions.

There were no administrative resolutions.

Under Old Business, Mr. Groon reported that a ruling on the Borough's Fair Share Housing obligation is imminent.

Mr. Groon said in regard to dredging lake that there is discussion about moving the state channel which would benefit the Borough; however this is a remote possibility.

Under New Business, Chairman Davenport reported the subcommittee has three recommendations for the Board to consider:

- 1) Increasing permissible height of residential structures in "R" Zones by two feet;
- 2) Redefining "loft" as "half-story" and clarifying language in the Ordinance in this regard to read "a half-story shall be permitted to contain floor area equaling 1/3 of the area of the floor below";
- 3) Further – "1/3 of the area of the half-story shall be permitted to be deck or porch; and occupy no more than 1/3 of the front façade of the structure."

The consensus of the Board was that these recommendations should be memorialized and submitted to the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Davenport told the Board that the subcommittee also discussed changing the requirements for frontage (lot width) for duplex construction on lots fronting on north-south streets. The Board felt that this change merited further consideration and discussion before recommendation.

No members of the public spoke.

There are no applications to come before the Board on 1 November 2017. The Board will meet on that date.

There being no further business, Chairman Davenport adjourned the meeting on motion of Mrs. Gould, second by Mr. Melchiorre, and unanimous voice vote, at 5:55 p.m.

Date_____ Planning Board Secretary_____