

Franklin Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment
Meeting Minutes for May 20, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairwoman, Mrs. Louise Murphy, who then led the assembly in the flag salute.

Mrs. Murphy read the Statement of Compliance pursuant to the "Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, PL 1975."

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Estes, Mr. Kell, Mr. Kopcsco,
Mr. Skellenger, Mr. Soules,
Mrs. Murphy.

ABSENT: Mrs. Bonis, Ms. Fantasia, Mr. Suckey

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. T. Knutelsky, Harold E. Pellow & Assoc.
Mr. D Wallace, Esq. (Applicants Attorney)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Kell made a motion to approve the **Franklin Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment Reorganization Meeting Minutes for January 7, 2015**. Seconded by Mr. Kopsco.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Kell, Kopcsco, Skellenger, Soules, Murphy

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: Estes

Mr. Skellenger made a motion to approve the **Franklin Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment Meeting Minutes for March 4, 2015**. Seconded by Mr. Kell.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Kell, Kopcsco, Skellenger, Soules, Murphy

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: Estes

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS:

There were no resolutions to approve.

APPLICATIONS FOR COMPLETENESS:

ZB-05-15-1 MRAN Franklin Realty, (Taco Bell) Sign Variance Bulk (C), Block 1101, Lot 2.02.

Mr. Tom Knutelsky, Harold E. Pellow & Associate addressed Board Members and stated application is for completeness only. He indicated the applicant is seeking (C) Variance relief in order to place three wall mounted signs onto the recently approved Taco Bell. He said in addition to the wall signs multiple free standing signs are also proposed and the applicant has submitted sufficient sketches/plans in order

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for the Board to review the proposal. He stated the applicant should present exhibits to the Board detailing where the building mounted signs are to be placed. He required the applicant to submit revised architectural plans to the Board for the next meeting on June 3, 2015 if application is deemed complete.

Mrs. Murphy asked Board Members if they had any questions or concerns. Board Members had no further comments.

Mr. Kell made a motion to **Deem Complete Application, ZB-05-15-1, MRAN Franklin Realty, (Taco Bell), Sign Variance Bulk (C), Block 1101 Lot 2.02.** Seconded by Mr. Estes.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Estes, Kell, Kopcso, Skellenger, Soules, Murphy

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

Mr. Dave Wallace, Applicants Attorney stepped forward and thanked the town for moving the application forward as quick as possible and indicated Mr. Knutelsky, Towns Administrator and Board Secretary have been very helpful. He said there are issues with (C) Variance and is hoping to limit the number of applications. He indicated there is a question on whether the order board is a sign or an accessory structure.

Mr. Knutelsky commented upon receipt of the exhibit requested from the applicant he will prepare a technical report that will detail the provisions of the ordinance. He said this will be forthcoming to the Board Members for the next meeting.

ADJOURNED CASES:

There were no adjourned cases.

APPLICATIONS TO BE HEARD:

There were no applications to be heard.

OTHER BUSINESS:

There were no other business to discuss.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Mr. Soules made a motion to approve the **Franklin Borough Zoning Board Escrow Report for May 20, 2015.** Seconded by Mr. Skellenger.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Estes, Kell, Kopcso, Skellenger, Soules, Murphy.

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

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DISCUSSION:

CORRESPONDENCE:

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION:

Mr. Kell made a motion to **Open to the Public**. Seconded by Mr. Estes. All were in favor.

No one stepped forward.

Mr. Soules made a motion to **Close to the Public**. Seconded by Mr. Skellenger. All were in favor.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business Mr. Kell made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Franklin Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment. Seconded by Mr. Estes. All were in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Osellame
Board Secretary