

Village of Chaumont
Planning Board Minutes
Regular Meeting & Public Hearing
November 10, 2020

The November Regular Meeting of the Chaumont Village Planning Board was called to order by Chairperson Hartley Bonisteel-Schweitzer at 6:00 PM. Those attending were Chairperson Hartley Bonisteel-Schweitzer; Board Members: Robin Grovesteen, Bryan Stumpf; Residents: Richard Wallace, Mariah Wallace, and Nancy White.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Minutes from the October Regular Meeting were unavailable and will be reviewed at November's meeting.
- Old Business was temporarily adjourned to proceed to the Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING ON WALLACE SUBDIVISION

Chairperson Hartley Bonisteel-Schweitzer opened the Public Hearing at 6:08 PM.

Mr. Wallace had previously submitted to the Village Clerk both a survey and deed descriptions in October. Prior to submission of an application to the VPB, he submitted to the Zoning Board of Appeals a request for a variance for the creation of a nonconforming waterfront lot. The ZBA met and approved the variance on October 29, 2020. Then on November 10, 2020, he submitted an application for subdivision to the VPB for their consideration.

The VPB had a number of concerns regarding the proposed subdivision, focused largely on the issue of access to the property through a newly created right-of-way. Following a lengthy give and take, the situation was resolved by Mr. Wallace's agreement to modify and resurvey the lot to include a 10' wide driveway access to Route 125. In order to accommodate his request, a special meeting was scheduled for November 24, 2020 at which time the updated documents would be provided and reviewed. The Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:46 PM and deemed to be held open.

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting was reconvened at 6:50 PM. Resident Nancy White asked to

address the VPB and was so granted as Privilege of the Floor. As a member of the ZBA, she expressed concern about the process by which the Wallace variance was granted. She also raised a number of concerns regarding potential changes to zoning districts-their boundaries +/- or the prescribed uses within them. There then occurred a lengthy exchange of opinions and information between members of the VPB and Ms. White.

ADJOURNMENT:

- Motion to adjourn was made by Member Grovesteen seconded by Member Stumpf. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Grovesteen