

BOROUGH OF SWEDESBORO
Planning/Zoning Board
P.O. Box 56
Swedesboro, New Jersey 08085
Meeting Minutes for
November 9, 2009

A regular meeting of the Swedesboro Planning/Zoning Board was held on November 9, 2009 in Council Chambers at 7 pm. Mr. Homan called the meeting to order. The Open Public Meetings Act statement was read followed by The Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members were present:

C. Homan
M. Dare
T. Vanaman
R. Zappala
M. Fernandez
G. Weeks
D. Fish
J. Streitfeld

The following alternates were present:

R. Bellace voting for T. Fromm
T. Ubriaco
S. Ayers
S. Richardson

Also in attendance were Mr. Clyde Walker, Jr., Solicitor and Mr. Stan Bitgood of Federici and Akin Engineering.

APPROVE MINUTES

Mr. Zappala made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2009 meeting without edits. Seconded by Mr. Weeks. All yes.

MEMORIALIZATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Walker read the Site Plan Waiver Resolution for NATALE AND LINDA RUSSO BLOCK 29, LOTS 12 AND 13 APPLICATION FOR RELIEF FROM SITE PLAN REQUIREMENT.

Mr. Weeks made a motion to approve the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Zappala. Roll call vote, all yes.

Mr. Walker read the Site Plan Waiver Resolution for BOTTO'S SONS, INC. BLOCK 29, LOTS 1 AND 2 – 1334-1360 KINGS HIGHWAY APPLICATION FOR SITE PLAN WAIVER.

Mr. Dare made a motion to approve the Resolution. Seconded by Mr. Weeks. Roll call vote, all yes.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Swedesboro Stogies Site Plan Waiver Application

(B 29/ Part of Lot 4)
1334 Kings Highway

Mr. Wiltsee introduced himself as representative for Swedesboro Stogies, LLC. Mr. Montieth was sworn in. Mr. Montieth resides in Woolwich at 30 Fredrick Blvd.

The store is described as 800 square feet and will be used for the sale of cigars. It is in the Commercial Zone and also the Redevelopment Zone. It will only be used for cigar sales and have a humidor. They will not sell cigarettes. The store will have a smoking lounge in the rear.

Hours for the store would be Monday – Friday 11am to 8pm, Saturday 11am to 6pm, and Sunday 11am to 5pm. Currently the only employee would be Mr. Montieth.

The indoor humidor is described as having a full glass window and being completely encased. There is a camera on the humidor.

For the lounge Mr. Montieth will use three smokeaters in the store.

Mr. Bitgood reviewed the engineer letter dated November 3, 2009. If a sign were desired in the future the applicant would need a variance as a sign already exist on this lot.

The building is not ADA accessible at all. There will be no exterior changes.

Mr. Montieth notes that the signage will be on the window in vinyl only. He can not serve alcohol or advertise BYO service. He believes he might have 3-5 customers at a time except during special events.

Minors will not be allowed in the humidor and must stay in the seats in the front of the store. At some point the store might demonstrate rolling cigars and have loose tobacco. Mr. Montieth does not anticipate smoking out doors, so the other stores will not be disturbed. Deliveries would be UPS and minimal.

There is no public hearing on a Site Plan Waiver application.

Mr. Fernandez makes a motion to approve the Site Plan Waiver for Swedesboro Stogies, LLC. Mr. Weeks seconds. All yes.

CORRESPONDENCE & DISCUSSION

Musumeci Letter – Mr. Walker notes that the Board has all received the letter.

PUBLIC

None

There being no further business, Mr. Weeks made a motion to close the meeting at 7:35 pm, seconded by Mr. Fish. All yes.

Kimberly Schneider

Kimberly Schneider, Secretary
Planning Board
Borough of Swedesboro