

Date 9/24/2008

Mayor and Council – Absent (Clayton)

Speaker	Note
Mr. Lonski Esq.	Explained what his charge was from the Governing Body. Most of existing rules & regulations of Land Use did not change, only enhanced. Strike through's are recommended changes from Mrs. DeFalco. Board is now referred to Land Use Board. This is still a work in progress. Now is the time to gather other input for this as it relates to "property maintenance".
Mrs. Verga	Questioned "Restriction of parking in front yard"
Mr. Lonski	This is one of the areas that Mrs. DeFalco wanted to discuss. Nothing in code addresses what is prohibited in "front yard". This is an item for discussion. Mrs. DeFalco would like to have some direction from council on what is or is not appropriate. She is getting complaints but is not able to address.
Mayor	Referenced Brick – having ordinance prohibiting parking on front lawn.
Mr. Lonski	This is a common complaint.
Mrs. Verga	Would like to address the Shade Tree portion of the ordinance. To address stripping trees during construction.
Mr. Lonski	Some towns have addressed a "replacement" fund, but that is under challenge. You can address a design criteria to have developer minimize taking down trees.
Mrs. Verga	Can we put something in there
Mr. Lonski	Yes, you can address
Mrs. Clark	Currently looking at "Shade Tree" ordinance would this be addressed here.
Mayor	Noted that the Planning Board Engineer was instructed to research the issue of trees and report.
Mrs. Verga	Signs - problem. Can we do something in this ordinance to address.
Mr. Lonski	There are ways to regulate. Site triangles - set backs - etc.
Mrs. Clark	Can that be regulated by permit?
Mr. Lonski	You can regulate to the extent that the matter is reasonable, and can charge.
Mrs. Clark	Can we address regulating time frame for signs.
Mr. Lonski	Knows of towns requiring the "posting of a bond"
Mr. Komsa	Noticed area regulating "sexually oriented businesses" Is this the right vehicle to use to prohibit.

PLANNING BOARD

Mr. LaFranca

A lot of the older homes - do not have room on street to park. Should be able to park on their lawn. Nothing wrong with that, they are off the streets.

Byrnes

Front Yard parking - the limitations are not really defined fully. Commercial vehicles ... should that be done by tonnage. Tonnage plays a big part in that. Heavy equipment also. May not fit in esthetically, but not addressed. Under grading - whether residential or development, if you have lots in a "development" type, shouldn't be piled with debris and not graded. It affects run off.

Ernst(Chairman)

Some of the issues. Definitions (not clear) but should what should be looked at - "signs" criteria - "accessory structures" sometimes larger than original home, need to clear up how large an accessory structure should be. Should be looking at areas of duplication.

Byrnes

Page 208 "Water Quality" expressed areas of concern.

Mr. Zackar

Concur with other members of the board.

DiBella

Will reserve opinion Would hope you will consider the impact on residents lives before finalizing. Need to structure so as not to impact residents financially but still comply.

OPEN TO PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON ORDINANCE CHANGES

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Approved:	Clark – Feeney – Komsa – Roma - Verga		
Opposed:			
Abstain:		Absent:	Clayton

Lipton - Pennant Ave

Large undertaking without public knowing what was requested. When Planning Board looked at "fence ordinance" some years back - it took a year and a half. Everyone worked hard and took it apart. Explanation.

LaCrosse - 708 Forecastle

Daunting task. Mr. Lipton made valid points. Seems that not all can be accomplished on local level, may have to bring in DEP. Will have to be looked at. Signs - I don't think that Businesses should use Borough property to bring in business. Interested in what you will be doing there. "Shade Tree Commission" wouldn't it address "dead trees" (replacement).

Mrs. Clark

Currently the Board is only charged with Borough owned property.

Mrs. Verga

Saw tree referred to and agrees it should come down.

Mr. LaCrosse

Do not envy the job in front of you. Good luck. A lot of people will have different views and you will not be able to please them all. You're going to have to weigh the issues.

Novaky - Maple St.

If you want to get your residents involved with government, address parking. There's no place to park. Need to carefully look at and carefully addressed.

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Public #2

DiBella-1008 Halliard Ave Comment on Code Enforcement

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ADJOURNMENT

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