

# **MEETING MINUTES OF Thursday May 9, 2019**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Call to order at 7:03 p.m. by Larry Konopka

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Larry Konopka Chairman
Scot Palmer
George Bachelder
Scott Aubertin
Mike Cabral – Alternate – sitting in for Pat Heffernan
Carole Dodge - Alternate
Mitch Emerson – Alternate
Scott Jackson - Alternate

## **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Pat Heffernan

#### **AGENDA REVIEW**

None.

#### **MINUTES**

# A. April 25, 2019 Public Meeting Minutes

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Scot Palmer: I make a motion to approve the April 25, 2019 Public Meeting Minutes with the corrections as discussed.

George Bachelder: Second.

Discussion: None. Motion carries 5-0

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

A. Application for Variance – 40 Carroll Street, Map U4, Lot 30 – (CONTINUED from 4-25-19) Larry Konopka read the Zoning Administrator's letter as follows:

## Members of the Pittsfield ZBA:

Relative to the "Old Business" item on the agenda, any allowed use in the commercial/light industrial district requires at least one "on lot" parking spot and none exist at 40 Carroll Street Map U4 Lot 30 has had no use of the property in over two years, so there is also no continuing non-conforming use. In other words, this circumstance renders the property un-usable without a Variance from Article 16, Section 3, Parking Requirements. Granting a Variance from the parking requirements would not mean that parking at any other location is being granted. It would mean that the owner of 40 Carroll Street would be responsible for their own off-site parking. A Variance would also have no effect on the winter parking ban, 40 Carroll Street would have to find private parking as would any other residence or business.

Carl Anderson, Zoning Administrator

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Larry Konopka stated that this is the continuation of the public hearing and read the public hearing notice as follows:

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Larry Konopka went through the application questions with Ms. Barberian.

Mike Cabral: I make a motion to grant the variance for Article 16, section 3 for parking for Tax Map U4-30 located at 40 Carroll Street with the understanding that parking at any other location is the responsibility of the property owner.

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## **ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Nothing new to report – letter addressing tonight's continued public hearing was read with Old Business.

#### **MEMBER CONCERNS**

Larry Konopka mentioned that the training for the zoning and planning board will be June 10, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Pittsfield Middle High School.

Carole Dodge inquired about progress on the revisions to the applications they discussed at the last meeting, Larry Konopka stated that Cara Marston is working on them.

Larry Konopka gave the board members a variance criteria worksheet to look at, he had found the worksheet helpful in considering the guidelines for granting a variance.

#### **PUBLIC INPUT**

None.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Scot Palmer: I make a motion to adjourn at 6:32 p.m.

Mike Cabral: Second. Discussion: None. Motion carries

Approved:

Lawrence J. Konopka