



CITY OF PORT JERVIS

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PORT JERVIS, NEW YORK 12771

Planning Board Meeting Minutes

August 16, 2022; 7:00 pm

In Attendance: T.Vicchiarello – Chair, J.Butto, A.Foster, T.Fuller, D.Schiels

Additional Attendees: L.Powrie, BD, G.Plotsky, M.Decker, Council Liaison

Absent: T.Sexton, ZBA, D. Cicalese, H.Dunn

Call Meeting to Order: 7:25 pm

Pledge of Allegiance: D. Cicalese

Public Hearing: Continuation of PH's 1 & 2 from July 21, 2022

1. Rumshock Veterans Foundation, 297 & 299 East Main St. SBL: 20-7-7.1 & 20-7-7.2; Conditional use permit for Philanthropic and Eleemosynary. Use to allow for housing for Military Veterans. Zone: NMU.

Representative from project (no name given) read a letter in the absence of Mr. Whetsel, who recently had surgery, explaining the project of livable housing for veterans, priority would be given to local area residents. Phase II: no additional information at this time. Nowever, the board would like to be kept aspired to any future or “next phase”. Trash can vs dumpster questions raised by the Chair; only trash can for each building would be used. This project is intended for veterans only and vetted through the VA or SSVVA. There will be no obtrusive lighting, no additional signage.

Board Comments: All departments, PJPD, Fire Chief & Inspector, DPW, and Orange County approved with the addition of adding sidewalks to the frontage.

Public Comment: K.Decker commented that the help to veterans is appreciated and to be applauded. Concerns upon the purchase of the property, one being inheriting the possibility of code violations. Veterans again would be from the Port Jervis area first? The representative added the grant is for \$400,000 through Senator Metzcar. Additional fundraising projects are anticipated to help offset expenses. Veterans Administration of OC acknowledges this is a “worthwhile” project.

Motion to close the public hearing: J.Butto, 2nd D. Schiels, 5 yes, 0 no

2. AcupointTouch, Herb & Meditation; 157 Ball St., SBL: 14-11-11.1; Conditional Use Permit for a Personal Service Store: Acupuncture, Massage, Moxibuston, Meditation and retail sales. Appl for: Accessory owner or caretaker apartment. Zone: NMU

Owner provided updated site plans for Chinese medicine store to provide Chinese herbs, music, meditation, acupressure, massage, moxibustion, and retail products. Dumpster not needed, no changes to lighting, a sign will be affixed to the building.

Board comments: Concerns regarding combustible materials and if there is a need for a sprinkler system. Also concerns of combustible and flammable material storage. Ethanol would be stored in specific metal cabinets.

Public comment: none

Motion to close the public hearing: D. Schields, 2nd T.Fuller, 54 yes, 0 no

Public Comment: none

Motion to approve July 21st minutes: table to next meeting T.Fuller, J.Butto, 5 yes, 0 no

Discuss PH #1: Rumshock Veterans Foundation, 297 & 299 East Main St. Site [plan needs to have sidewalks and parking shown/ADA parking not required as it would be a private residence. SEQR approved at prior a meeting.

Motion to approve project: no motion was made; continuation of public hearing

Discuss PH #2: AcupointTouch, Herb & Meditation; 157 Ball St.- none

Motion to name City of Port Jervis as Lead Agent: J.Butto, 2nd D.Schields, 5 yea, 0 na

Motion to accept application with approval of fire inspectors inspection of sprinkler system needs, J.Butto, D. Schields, 5 yea, 0 na

Old Business: none

New Business: Mr. Vicchiarello introduced new board member Tony Fuller to replace Mr. Belcher's retirement

Zoning Board Report: none

Code Enforcement: L.Powrie provided updated building department business.

Council Liaison Report: Mr. Decker provided council updates and reports.

Readdressed Motion on Rumshock Veterans to table the motion to approve to Sept. 20th meeting, A.Foster, 2nd T.Fuller, 5 yea, 0 na

Adjournment: 7:40 pm Motion: D.Schields, 2nd T.Fuller, 5 yea, 0 no

The next regular meeting is tentatively scheduled for **7:00 pm, September 20th, 2022**