**RIVERTON BOROUGH PLANNING BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**December 19, 2022 at 7 o’clock p.m.**

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT STATEMENT**

Public Notice of this meeting has been given in the following manner:

1. Posting written notice on the Official Borough Website and Official Bulletin Board in the Borough Hall on June 1, 2022.
2. Having written notice published in the Burlington County Times on June 8, 2022.
3. Forwarding written notice to the Courier Post for informational purposes only on June 1, 2022.

**ROLL CALL:**

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| Suzanne Cairns Wells, absent | Kerry Brandt, absent | Joe Della Penna, present |
| Edgar Wilburn, present | Pete Clifford, present | Robert Martin, present |
| Rebecca Reis, present | Ray Paszkiewicz, present | Joseph Threston, present |
| Adam Flade, Alt. 1, present | Joe String, Alt. 2, present | Doug Aird, Alt. 3, present |

Borough representatives present include: Secretary Ms. Vanessa Livingstone and Mr. Chuck Petrone, Esquire.

**CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS:** There was no correspondence to report.

**MINUTES:** November 22, 2022 Open Session minutes and November 22, 2022 Closed Session minutes were submitted for approval. Mr. Flade motioned to approve both minutes and Mr. Martin seconded the motion. All approved in the affirmative.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **V-07-2022**

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| **Name:**  **Property:**  **Action Desired:** | Tom Kearns  612 Elm Terrace **Block:** 1002 **Lot**: 7  Applicant in the R8 zone seeks relief from the Borough Code at Chap § 128-19(a) for permission to construct an additional accessory building of 1,142 sq. ft. wherein 500 sq. ft. is permitted; and any and all variances and waivers deemed necessary by the Board. |

Mr. Kearns, the Applicant, was present to represent himself. Mr. Petrone swore in Mr. Kearns, who accepted the Oath.

Mr. Kearns, who had previously appeared before the Board on September 27, 2022 for application V-06-2022, explained that he was seeking a new variance to increase the size of the same proposed additional accessory building to a size that will not exceed 1,144 square feet. The increase in size is a result of expanding the length of the covered patio by six feet.

Mr. Threston confirmed with Mr. Petrone that the prior variance application, V-06-2022, was approved for an additional accessory building consisting of a 1,000 square foot detached garage with an attached covered patio of 96 square feet.

There are no concerns of impervious coverage due to the size of the property. Application V-07-2022 outlines no changes to the proposed additional accessory building’s 1,000 square-foot detached garage.

On behalf of Ms. Michelle M. Taylor, AICP, PP, who was unable to attend the meeting, Mr. Petrone shared her input on the application: Ms. Taylor did not believe a review letter was necessary because the previous application from Mr. Kearns was still fresh in the Board members’ minds; the board previously approved the same proposed additional accessory building; and the additional square footage is not a major change.

The Board did not have additional questions and no members of the public were present.

Mr. Flade motioned to approve V-07-2022 for an additional accessory building not exceeding 1,144 square feet. The motion includes all conditions previously outlined in the approval of V-06-2022. Mr. Della Penna seconded the motion. A roll call vote approved the motion 8 yes, 0 nay, and 2 abstain.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Council Matters of Importance to the Board —** Councilman Wilburn shared that the lead paint ordinance, shared in previous Committee Reports, was passed at the most recent Borough Council meeting. Mr. Threston commented that he believed the Christmas Village held on December 3, 2022 was a positive and successful community event.

**Environmental Commission —** Mr. Threston shared thatthe Environmental Commission would meet on December 22, 2022. The Commission is looking for at least one new member.

**Minor Site Plan —** Nothing to report.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No members of the public were present.

**CLOSED SESSION:** Mr. Martin motioned to enter Closed Session to discuss litigation and Councilman Wilburn seconded the motion. All approved in the affirmative.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mr. Martin motioned to adjourn the Hearing and Councilman Wilburn seconded the motion. All approved in the affirmative.

Respectfully Submitted:

Vanessa Livingstone, Secretary

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Adopted on: