**Zoning Board Meeting** 

May 21st 2024

6:07 PM

**PRESENT:** Board Members: Kevin Gorman (chairman), Jason VonGuiness, Jamie Spear, Atty Alaina Finan, Bldg./codes Mark Surdam, Village Clerk Olivia Schneider, Chuck from Stewarts and Colin Bedney from 44 River Street. Absent was Megan Albert and Bill Hazen.

Mark started with the first case which was 44 River Street application owned by Colin Bedney who was present at the meeting. Mark states the fence will be around the backyard with a gate and be 6 feet tall. Mark asked if where the gate will be does it drop down a hill and Colin states it does but will not be dangerous. No other concerns were brought up for this application.

A **MOTION** to approve Colin Bedney request for area variance to allow a 6-foot fence was made by Jasen VonGuiness 1<sup>st</sup> and Kevin Gorman 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion was unanimously carried by members present.

Next case Mark brough up to the members was 46 4<sup>th</sup> street who is owned by Donald Bailey who was not present for the meeting. Mark states the fence is already up and doesn't seem to cause problems to neighbors around him and seem safe. No concerns were brought up by the member about this fence variance.

A **MOTION** to approve Donald Bailey request for area variance to allow his 6-foot stockade fence was made by Jasen VonGuiness 1<sup>st</sup> and Jamie Spear 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion was unanimously carried by members present.

Next application was made by Chuck from the Stewarts project that will be 129 and 131 Church Street which is a variance for a 35 Sq feet monument sign that will be outside of Stewarts. There was one question asked for Chuck about the lightening if it shuts off at a certain time. Chuck explained that the lights come on when its dark but turn they off when the store closes which will be from 11PM to 5AM.

A **MOTION** to approve Stewarts Project for their request for are variance to allow the 35 sq foot monument sign was made by Jasen 1<sup>st</sup> and Jamie 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion was unanimously carried by members present

All cases at this time have been completed but we will still need to communicate with all members to find a good time to hold a Special Meeting for Jasen's single-family home he would like to build on his property.

Jasen commented at the end of the meeting on how he went to the Village Board meeting this month and brought up to the board how he believes 6-foot fences should be allowed if no issues with neighboring properties. If there are no concerns when sending out the notice letters to the neighbors, we should be able to pass the fence application without bringing it to the Zoning Board. Aliana noted

that if we were to do that, that we should make it so that 6-foot fences can be allowed in the back yards but not in the front yard which is what other zoning boards do. Jasen said he will go to the next Village Board meeting In June and bring this all back up to the board again.

A **MOTION** was made to end meeting by Kevin 1<sup>st</sup> and Jamie 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion was unanimously carried by members present.

Meeting adjured at 6:43PM.

Olivia Schneider

Village Clerk