Minutes of Meeting Perkasie Borough Zoning Hearing Board February 27, 2023

620 W. Chestnut Street Perkasie, PA 18944

Attendance:

Zoning Hearing Board Members:

Laura Auger
Dave Barndt
Sue Bower
John Knouse
John Wilcox
John Yannacone
ZHB Solicitor: Colby Grim

The Zoning Hearing Board public hearing was convened at 7:30 pm.

Meeting Minutes:

Upon a motion by John Wilcox, seconded by Laura Auger, the Zoning Hearing Board unanimously approved the meeting minutes from January 23, 2023 meeting.

Old Business:

File No. ZHB # 2022-13

Appellant:

4th Soil Perkasie LLC

Property Location:

501 W. Market St

Tax Parcel Number:

33-005-536

Background: The Appellant, 4th Soil Perkasie, LLC, is the Owner of Equitable Title of Tax Parcel No. 33-005-536 known as the former First United Methodist Church of Perkasie located at 501 W. Market Street on the northern corner of the intersection of W. Market Street and N. 5th Street in Perkasie Borough, PA. The Appellant proposes to convert the existing vacant church into a fine arts academy/community center on the basement and 1st Floors and a two (2) and three (3) bedroom residential apartment on the 2nd Floor. All renovations are proposed to be interior.

Request Zoning Relief: The Appellant is seeking a Special Exception, Use Variance and variances from the following sections of the Zoning Ordinance: \$186-18.B.(6)(c)[1]&[2], \$186-18.C.(13), \$186-20.C.(1), \$186-20.C.(1)(c), \$186-20.J.(4)(a)&(c), \$186-61.C.(2)(f), and \$186-61.C.(3)(b), (k)&(n).

Party Status:

None

The case was opened at the October 24, 2022 meeting and, upon request by the Applicant, the case was continued to the November 28th meeting. At the November 28th meeting, the Applicant requested that the case be continued to the meeting on December 27, 2022. At the request of the Borough, the December 27, 2022, Case # 2022-13 was continued to the January 23, 2023 meeting. At the January 23rd meeting, the Applicant requested that the case be continued to the February 27, 2023 meeting. The Applicant is once more requesting that the case now be continued to the March 27, 2023 meeting.

The ZHB Solicitor recommended that the Board grant the continuance, with the understanding that this will be the last one. If the Applicant is not ready by the March meeting, he will recommend that they withdraw their application and re-file when they are fully ready.

Upon a motion by John Yannacone, seconded by John Wilcox, the Zoning Hearing Board unanimously agreed to continue the case to the March 27, 2023 meeting.

Other Business:

Nothing at this time.

There being no further business to be brought before the Zoning Hearing Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Fim Rimmer, Secretary