

October 26, 2022

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING

Present: Timothy Morgan, Chairman
David Pann
Roberta Lobur
Nathan Witkowski
Bethany Willis
Sharon Carlo
Michael Borth, Code Enforcement Officer
Andrew Borden via phone/person

Chairman Morgan opened the meeting with a welcome to everyone.

The Zoning Board of Appeals met on this date at 7:00 pm to hear the application of:

The Special Use Permit requested by Paula Milligan to open White Whiskers Senior Dog Sanctuary(kennel) at the premises known as 35 Lewis Road which is in an R-3 zone.

Chairman Morgan called those representing White Whiskers Senior Dog Sanctuary to the table.

The Village Clerk read the proof of publication and requested the proof of required signatures and notifications of the neighbors within 200 feet of 35 Lewis Rd. No signatures were submitted.

Code Enforcement Officer Mike Borth stated that the project is allowed in an R-3 with a Special Use Permit.

White Whiskers Attorney Sean Hopkins and Architect David Sutton informed the Zoning Board of the Special Use request for Paula Milligan to open White Whiskers Senior Dog Sanctuary (kennel) at the property located at 35 Lewis Road. Ms. Milligan has a contract to purchase the property contingent the Zoning Board approves her Special Use Permit. Her plan is to give older dogs who have lost their homes a compassionate option for them to live out their years in safety, comfort, and peace. She would transform the existing building into an apartment in the front for herself and a meeting room, inside/outside kennel runs, bathrooms, etc. in the back portion of the building. The existing garages on the site would be used for storage.

Paula Milligan explained that she wants to be a good neighbor and will go above and beyond to work with neighbors who may have any complaints. She stated that the dogs would be inside most of the time sleeping. Scheduled bathroom breaks would be conducted during the day with limited number of dogs to keep barking at a bare minimum. All dogs would be kept inside at 8 pm barring any emergency. She stated the inside and outside areas for the dogs would be well insulated. She would also like to participate with Senior Citizens, Veterans, and Disabled people with visits to the Sanctuary for the benefit of the dogs as well as those individuals.

Several residents attended this meeting for and against this request. Those opposed were concerned with barking, smell, and the use of an R-3 district for something other than multi-family housing. One in support wrote a letter on behalf 40+ citizens.

Zoning Member Bethany Willis had several questions regarding the kennel itself such as disposal of dog waste, kennel size etc.

After a short discussion the Board agreed to table the request due to the absence of signatures requested and to allow time for the White Whiskers Senior Dog Sanctuary to meet again with those in opposition of the project.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Chairman Bethany Willis and seconded by Sharon Carlo to table the Special Use Permit request to open White Whiskers Senior Dog Sanctuary (kennel) be and hereby is approved.

Adopted:	Timothy Morgan	- Aye
	Roberta Lobur	- Aye
	David Pann	- Aye
	Nathan Witkowski	- Aye
	Bethany Willis	- Aye
	Sharon Carlo	- Aye

Code Enforcement Officer Borth asked the Zoning Board of Appeals to rescind the use variance which was just approved for Joshua & Dusty Blasko to install three (3) apartments at 130 Main Street which is in an R-2 zone due to failure of the sale to go through.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Bethany Willis and seconded by Nathan Witkowski to rescind the approval to Dusty and Joshua Blasko for the use variance to allow them to install three apartments in a R-2 zone at the property located at 130 Main Street.

Adopted:	Timothy Morgan	- Aye
	Roberta Lobur	- Aye
	David Pann	- Aye
	Nathan Witkowski	- Aye
	Bethany Willis	- Aye
	Sharon Carlo	- Aye

On the motion of Sharon Carlo and seconded by Bethany Willis at 8:37 pm. this meeting was ADJOURNED.