

City of Olean
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Minutes for Zoning Board
Meeting held on September 27, 2018

1. Roll Call

Shayne Cert called the meeting to order at 5:35p.m. Thomas Enright read the roll call. All members were present except Otto Tertinek and Darryl Bloom.

Present:

- Jerry Lefeber
- Charlotte Hardy
- Thomas Enright
- Shayne Certo

Absent:

- Otto Tertinek
- Darryl Bloom

Staff:

- Kathleen Hewitt- Account Clerk Typist
- Edward Jennings- Supervisor of Code Enforcement

1. Old Business:

Reading and approval September 13, 2018 meeting minutes.

A Motion was made by Thomas Enright, seconded by Charlotte Hardy to approve the September 13, 2018 meeting minutes as is. Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried.

1603 Main Street– (Use Variance # 007-15)

Shayne expressed concern since there are only four members present to vote.

Jerry expressed concern about the drainage since that area has always had an issue with water. He continued every time it rains Route 16 and Delevan would have a huge puddle there. He noted it was somewhat remedied once the new blacktop was placed.

Andy Hall explained that is a current problem and every time it rained it would run off the hill and cross Main Street and sit at the bottom of Delevan and gets really deep there. He noted he would love for the city to fix that issue. He stated on the other side none of the water that is puddling at the bottom of Delevan Street is coming from the swale and the addition of a parking lot would help with the drainage issue.

Jerry questioned if there was to be a parking lot either stone or blacktop would drainage be included. Andy responded there would be drainage for sure and reiterated that the current water issue is not from the parking lot.

Thomas Enright stated the county sent back the referral due to insufficient documentation. He continued he has reviewed the current documentation and does not see why a favorable decision cannot be made by his way of thinking. He noted it was not self created, it will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood. He noted some of the neighbors have concerns about a parking lot however; the neighbors will be looking at a gravel color or blacktop color parking lot but either way they are still going to be seeing a four lane highway that color and feels it would not change the essential character of the neighborhood. Thomas further explained that even though a parking lot on the surface do not impact financial status but parking is everything. He further explained when you have a church or business and no parking it will impact financial sponsorship. Thomas explained this church is unique and this issue does not exist elsewhere. He explained they purchased this property as is and came with a vacant lot and they are not going to open a store they would like to use it as a parking lot for the church.

Jerry questioned the financial documentation that has been submitted. He questioned why it has financial for all four locations and not just the current location. Andy responded there organization supplies four different locations and not just one location.

102 W. Ohio Street-(Area Variance # 007-15)

Thomas Enright read the application 102 W. Ohio Street aloud. The applicant is requesting a Area Variance to construct a 21 x 22 ft addition for the 25' total side yard setback: If granted it will vary from Chapter 28 Article 28 Section 6.1 of the Zoning law.

Thomas Enright motioned to set the public hearing for September 27, 2018 at 5:35 p.m. Seconded by Charlotte Hardy; Voice vote, ayes all. Motion carried.

Charlotte questioned if they could get their training in the month of October.

Adjournment

A MOTION to adjourn was made by Thomas Enright, seconded by Charlotte Hardy. Voice vote, ayes all, Motion carried.

Next Meeting Date

The next Zoning Board meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. located in the Council Chambers. Meeting adjourned at 5:48 pm.