

# SOMERDALE BOROUGH PLANNING & ZONING BOARD March 27, 2024 - 7:00 PM Minutes

CALL TO ORDER @ 7pm

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

### SUNSHINE STATEMENT:

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was given by way of mailing to the Courier Post and Retrospect Newspaper and posted in the Borough Hall on February 20, 2024.

#### ROLL CALL: ALL PRESENT

Chairperson Kathy O'Leary
Vice Chairman Michael Wharton
Mayor George Badey
Councilman Larry Sefchick
Lieutenant Brian Usher
Christian Annese
Phil Miller
Michael Wharton
Wayne Neville
Thomas Leakan
Francis McGowan
Solicitor David Carlamere
Planner Robert Scott Smith PLS, PP
Zoning Officer Karen Wharton

O'Leary

First on agenda is applicant of old business

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Floss Groomers 527 N. White Horse Pike Somerdale NJ 08083 Block 11 Lot 2

Reason: Site Plan

Floss

Waiting for Attorney to arrive

O'Leary

We will move on with agenda until attorney arrives.

O'Leary

Next item on agenda

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Kennedy Blvd Real Estate Assoc. LLC 800 Kennedy Blvd Somerdale NJ 08083 Block 33 Lot 1

Reason: Site Plan Waiver Request for Change of Use



Representative: Michael Floyd, Archer & Greiner. Property

800 Kennedy Blvd, block 33 lot 1 has 2 business operating onsite, testifying there is enough property to hold both companies and their employees. Will be entering 3 exhibits; A1- ariel, A2-close up ariel, A3- property survey. 3 witnesses, 1. Scott Mertz – property owner, 2. Salvatore Dani – owner 1st Transportation, 3. Marielena Salazar –

permitting lead, Shell Tap Up.

Carlamere

We will swear all 3 witnesses at one time

First to testify is Salvatore Dani with First Transportation Group

Dani

President/Owner. School bus transportation for Camden/ Gloucester/ Burlington County education, for special needs. Hours of operation 5:30AM- 4:30PM, peak time 6AM-9AM & 1PM-4PM. Employed 26 personnel with 21 pieces of equipment. No major repairs to buses done onsite, out sourced. Minor maintenance repair; windshield wipers, lights. No fueling done onsite. Employee parking separate from bus parking, no issues with parking.

Second to testify Marielena Salazar with Shell Tap Up.

Salazar Representative for Shell fuel. Permitted to store vehicles onsite. Business fuels tank

vehicles offsite to deliver to customers. No dispensing done on location. Refer to

colleague Geoffry Green, Area Manager, to discuss hours of operation and employees.

Carlamere Geoffry Green sworn in, 4th witness

Green Area Manager for Shell gas. Oversees 9 employees, hours of operation from 6PM-3AM.

No conflict with parking of the school bus company. No fueling done onsite. Drive to terminal to fill up the tanks. Truck return to parking lot empty. No major maintenance

done on vehicles.

McGowan Do trucks have lock up valve?

Green No tampering able to be done

Miller How many trucks? What do you haul?

Green 7-8 trucks. 2 are diesel, rest are gasoline.

Last to testify is Scott Mertz, owner of property.

Mertz Will use the Board's professional report for repairs on the property.

Badey Question regarding the gate being open and closed. Is there a way to keep it closed once

employees leave? The elementary school across the street, we do not want anyone getting

onsite with the gates being opened.

Dani During Monday - Friday it would be problematic to keep opening/closing from 6AM-

4:30PM



Floyd

We can agree to keep gate closed during off peak hours.

Leakan

Question with the addition addendum from the Fire Marshal Department?

Floyd

5 added comments of the following;

1. Knox box

a. Yes, will install the knox "key" box

2. Security cameras

a. Yes, there are cameras onsite

3. Fuel Spill Kit onsite

4. Site unpaved

5. Concerns proximity to Cooper River.

- #3, #4, & # 5, we will provide the State and Federal regulation compliance

Smith

Regarding the fence repair, the loose stone and the lighting.

Floyd

Agrees to address concerns from the professional review report. Mertz will comply with submission of site plan regarding fence.

O'Leary opens to the public @7:28PM

John O'Leary, Fire Official & David Marx, Deputy Fire Marshal both stating the concern of any fuel leaking into ground and Cooper River. Will review the State and Federal Compliance letter once the office receives.

Wharton

Site Plan will fence provisions have wheel stops or bumpers to ensure vehicles to not hit the fence?

Floyd

We will address all concerns for the fence.

O'Leary

Any other questions? None

Motion

Wharton to approve with minor site plan submission with condition for the fence barrier

and site lights.

Second

Sefchick

Opposed?

None

All in Favor:

Aye

Carlamere

Summary reference Resolution #2024-13

Roll Call

Kathy O'Leary

George Badey

Larry Sefchick

Brian Usher

Phil Miller

Michael Wharton

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Francis McGowan



#### Christian Annese

O'Leary Next item Floss Groomers @7:34PM

Representative: Darryl Rhone, attorney.

Follow up for the use variance with the need of a site plan.

Carlamere Stating that publication and certified mailings are satisfied. Swearing in Florance/Leo

Gerst owners of Floss Groomers, and William Gilmore from Site Civil Engineer.

Gilmore Site Civil Engineer, providing an ariel overview of the property 527 N. White horse Pike,

showing the details of the area that were needed to show improvements. Will work off of the planner's report, handicap will meet ADA requirements, having the parking lot fixed, install curb stops and new parking spot lines painted. 2-way flow into parking lot, will be

taking out a small section of ground on entrance side and paint lines to have some spacing from the back parking spots. Remove all old lights, install new parking lot light, install wall mount lights-pointed down to avoid it going into neighboring houses. Install 6ft vinyl fence on west side to house the trash cans. Pick up trash on site rather than on

active roads. Sump pump extended to curb so no ice on sidewalk.

Wharton Contact Public Works Department first to see if they will pick up onsite

Gilmore Will contact Public Works to see if they will be able to have trash pickup onsite rather

than on active roads.

Sefchick Signage on Pike for "Do Not Enter"

Gilmore Yes.

McGowan The sump pump, is that going into the street?

Smith No, sump pump is an indirect flow, from an emitter disk.

Sefchick Are there going to be out door pens?

Usher Is this like a pet hotel?

Florance No, only grooming. No pets left over night. Only there during business hours.

O'Leary Open to the public @7:45PM- None. Motion to Approve?

Motion: Sefchick

Second: Badey

Opposed? No

All in Favor: Aye

Carlamere Summary reference Resolution # 2024-11

Roll Call

Kathy O'Leary



George Badey Larry Sefchick Brian Usher Phil Miller Michael Wharton Wayne Neville Thomas Leakan Francis McGowan Christian Annese

O'Leary

Final Application

NEW BUSINESS:

Proctor Properties IV LLC 726 W. Preston Ave Somerdale NJ 08083 Block 149 Lot 9

Reason: Minor Subdivision and Variance

Representative: Tara Vargo, LAW OFFICE OF TARA L. VARGO.

Providing 2 witnesses; Joseph Mancini, Tristate Engineers and Ephraim Cook, professional planner and architect. Property 726 W. Preston Ave is a double wide lot with vacant space for a subdivide. Turning project review over to Joe Mancini.

Mancini

Licensed since 2005/2007 working with Tristate Engineering. Presented to multiple boards in South Jersey, including this one last month for another project. Here we are going to look at exhibit A1 ariel of the lot showing the minor subdivision. R2 zone allows twin & duplexes, lot totaling .43 acres, will be similar to the other surrounding homes. There are 2 aprons for driveways, 1 will remain, the other will be removed having the 2 houses share the use of the one that will remain. Exhibit A2 zoom out ariel of property showing the breakdown of the subdivision. Both single family dwellings will meet some criteria, property can accommodate both homes, not having any detrimental to property or neighbors.

Vargo

Informed the board she received a phone call asking if this property was the one on the corner of Terrance and Preston, she informed the caller that wasn't the property.

Smith

Removing the second apron is appropriate because it partly on the neighbor's property. Fence removal on lot 8 agrees to takeaway issues and setback an easement on purposed lot 9.01 to provide access for lot 9.

@7:56PM Usher left room

McGowan

Does lot 10 go all the way through to the other street?

Smith

Yes.

@8PM Usher returned

O'Leary

Any other questions? None. Open to the public @8PM.



William McGinnis

Resident of 734 West Preston, neighbor next to the purposed subdivision lot.

How will this affect my yard?

Mancini

Visually showing Mr. McGinnis the property lines on exhibit A1 and the lay out of the

subdivision showing it wouldn't affect his property. 8 feet from the property line of lot

10. The single-family dwelling sizes are unknown at this time.

O'Leary

Any question? None.

Motion:

Wharton approval with condition of easement

Second:

Badey

All in Favor

Aye

Calamere

Summary reference Resolution # 2024-12

#### Roll Call

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# NEW BUSINESS: ADJOURNMENT FOR APRIL 24, 2024 MEETING

Rise Home Buyers LLC 210 S. Warwick Road Somerdale NI 08083 Block 145 Lot 3.03

Reason: Use Variance d(1)

#### RESOLUTIONS:

#2024-10

Phoenix Son Enterprise LLC

134 Somerdale Road

Block 126 Lot 17

Reason: Use Variance d(1)

O'Leary

Entertain motion to read resolution 2024-10

Motion

Sefchick to waive reading

Second

Wharton to waive reading

O'Leary

Motion to approve resolution 2024-10



Motion:

Wharton

Second:

Sefchick

Opposed?

None

All in Favor:

Aye

## Roll Call

Kathy O'Leary George Badey Larry Sefchick Brian Usher Phil Miller

Michael Wharton Wayne Neville Thomas Leakan Francis McGowan Christian Annese

CORRESPONDENCE: N/A

GOOD OF ORDER:

N/A

# GOOD & WELFARE:

Wharton

Lidl clearing lot.

Wadleigh

Informed the board, the Fire Marshal/ Code Department stated they are only clearing brush, no

word on building.

ADJOURNMENT: @ 8:07PM

Motion:

Wharton

Second:

Sefchick

All in Favor:

Aye

Respectfully Submitted,

Meegan Wadleigh Recording Secretary