

Board of Zoning Appeals  
Minutes  
May 3, 2016

I. Call to order

The regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals was called to order on May 3, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room, 1207 Palm Boulevard. Members present were Carolyn Holscher, Glen Thornburg and Jay Leigh; also Secretary Douglas Kerr was present. Pete Doherty and Arnold Karig were absent.

Mr. Kerr acknowledged that the meeting had been advertised in compliance with State law and the properties had been posted.

II. Approval of minutes

The next item on the agenda was the review of the minutes of the April 5, 2016 meeting. Ms. Holscher made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Leigh seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

III. Home Occupancies

Mr. Thornburg explained that the Board acted as a quasi-judicial body and all comments made were treated in the same manner as court testimony; therefore, any person who would like to speak to the Board should be sworn in. He then swore in all members of the audience that would be speaking.

**67 Fairway Dunes Lane**

Mr. Kerr explained that the applicant was requesting a special exception to allow the establishment of a residential real estate business and the applicant would be doing office work only at the house with no one coming to the property and no exterior evidence of a business.

Mr. Thornburg asked the applicant if there is anything she would like to add. The applicant, Amy Carter, explained she would just be doing office work at the house and there would be nothing that would disturb neighbors and all meetings would be off site.

Ms. Holscher asked if there would be any signs visible at the house. Ms. Carter answered no.

Mr. Kerr explained that he had been contacted by the Wild Dunes Community Association as well as the Fairway Dunes Villas Association and concern had been expressed about a potential exclusive right of Wild Dunes Real Estate to be the only real estate company based within Wild Dunes, also concern had been raised about the SC brokerage licensing laws and the lack of a physical office accessible to the public for this brokerage. He explained that both

of these items were outside of the purview of the Board of Zoning Appeals, but the owner should investigate these issues prior to acquiring her business license.

Ms. Holscher made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Leigh seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

### **5 Wills Way**

Mr. Kerr explained that the applicant was requesting a special exception to allow the establishment of a social media marketing business in her home and the house would be used for office work only with no one coming to the property and no exterior evidence of a business.

Ms. Holscher asked what a social media marketing business would do. The applicant, Emily Cisewski, answered that she does web design as well as create Facebook and Instagram pages.

Mr. Thornburg asked how she would advertise the business. Ms. Cisewski answered that it would be online or word of mouth, but there would be no signs or traffic involved.

Mr. Leigh made a motion to approve the request and Ms. Holscher seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

### **IV. Adjournment**

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 PM.