

Board of Zoning Appeals
Minutes
February 2, 2016

I. Call to order

The regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals was called to order on February 2, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room, 1207 Palm Boulevard. Members present were Carolyn Holscher, Arnold Karig and Jay Leigh; also Secretary Douglas Kerr was present. Pete Doherty and Glen Thornburg were absent.

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

II. Nomination and election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

Mr. Leigh made a motion to delay this agenda item until the next meeting to allow for the full group to be present. Ms. Holscher seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

II. Approval of minutes

The next item on the agenda was the review of the minutes of the December 1, 2015 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. Karig 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.

709 Carolina Boulevard

Mr. Kerr explained that the applicant was requesting a special exception to allow the establishment of an interior design business that would involve doing office work only at the house.

Mr. Leigh asked the applicant if there would be any signs associated with the business visible. Ms. Newman, the applicant, answered no. Ms. Holscher asked if there would be any deliveries made to the applicant's house. Ms. Newman answered nothing beyond normal deliveries would come to her home and that items for projects would be delivered to the project locations.

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

IV. Miscellaneous Business

Mr. Kerr explained that a variance request had been filed for a proposed residence at 625 Carolina Boulevard and the applicant missed the deadline for the February meeting because of an error on the City's website regarding the submittal deadline for variances. He said that the applicant has requested that the Board consider holding a special meeting to hear the request. He explained that due to the advertising requirement, a special meeting would only change the meeting date by one week. The Board agreed that a special meeting was not necessary.

V. Adjournment

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 PM.