

Minutes of the **June 27, 2017** meeting of the **Conservation Board of the TOWN OF ORCHARD PARK**, Municipal Center, Basement Meeting Room, S4295 South Buffalo Street, Orchard Park, New York at 6:45 P.M. Present were the following:

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Ward, Acting Chairman/Alex Long/Frank Newton/George Schichtel
EXCUSED: Richard Schechter/Nan Ackerman/Thomas Jaeger/Ashleigh Hauser
OTHERS PRESENT: John Bernard, Planning Director/Rosemary Messina, Secretary

The Acting Chair called the meeting to order at 6:45 P.M. by stating that in accordance with the provisions of the Ethics Law of the Town of Orchard Park it is incumbent upon any Conservation Board member with a financial or business relationship with any petitioner coming before this Board to disclose this relationship and, if warranted, to recuse him or herself from any matter involving the petitioner. Any petitioner coming before this Board who is a relative of, or has a financial or business relationship with, any officer or employee of the Town of Orchard Park, must disclose the nature and extent of such relationship in accordance with the provisions of the ethics law of the Town of Orchard Park.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Newton made a **MOTION**, seconded by Mr. Schichtel, to **APPROVE** the May 2, 2017 minutes.
Motion **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED** by the Board.

1. C.B. File #04-15. "The Residents at the Ridge". 5285 Chestnut Ridge Road, located on the east side of Chestnut Ridge Road, south of New Armor Duells Road, Zoned R-3 with SR Designation (Senior Residential). Requesting Landscape Plan review and approval per Section 144-46B of the Town Code.

APPEARANCE: Mr. James Jerge, Applicant
Mr. Chris Wood, Carmina – Wood – Morris

The member's questions established that there are a total of four-acres at this site, garages are included in the building footprint, and there is an outdoor activity area for the senior residents to enjoy. Great detail is shown on the Landscape Plan and there is a high degree of plantings at the site. Mr. Wood confirmed trees on the plan that would be removed due to their poor condition.

Mr. Larry Bochen a neighboring resident commented that the project will fit nicely here.

Mr. Newton made a **MOTION**, seconded by Mr. Schichtel, to **APPROVE** the Landscaping Plan prepared by a NYS licensed Landscape Architect, as submitted on 6/15/17, based on the following conditions and stipulations:

1. The Total Green Space is 50%, and exceeds the Town Requirement of 15%.
2. The Interior Green Space requirement of 10% is not required as the project has less than 40-parking spaces.
3. The Landscaping Value Estimate of \$77,900 requires a Certified Check amounting to 50% of the total and this shall be deposited with the Town Clerk prior to receiving a Building Permit. (\$38,950)
4. Upon the completion of the landscape installation the Owner shall provide a Landscape Completion Form (available from the Planning Office or Town's website) and a statement from a NYS Licensed Landscape Architect indicating that the plant materials have been installed in accordance with the specifications of the approved Landscape Plan. Three-years after the date of Landscape Completion, the Owner shall provide a Landscape Security Release Form (available from the Planning Office, or online at Town Website) with a statement from a Licensed Landscape Architect indicating the condition of the plant materials specified in the approved Landscape Plan, verifying survival through the three-year guarantee period.

Motion **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED** by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

DATED: July 7, 2017
REVIEWED: February 6, 2018

David Ward, Acting Chairman

Respectfully Submitted,
Rosemary M. Messina Secretary