

CODE COMMITTEE
City of Port Jervis
Common Council Chambers
Special Meeting
Minutes – Monday, August 13th, 2018 – 6:15pm

Lisa Randazzo
Committee Chairman

David Rivera
Building Official

Kristin Trovei
David Bavoso
Stanley Siegel
Committee Members

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call: Mrs. Randazzo – Mrs. Trovei – Mr. Belcher – Mr. Bavoso – Mr. Santini – Mrs. Mann – Mayor Decker – Mr. Rivera – Mrs. Powrie – Corporation Counsel – Mrs. Waizenegger - Mrs. Fitzpatrick (arrived at 6:28pm)

Public Comment: No public comment

Old Business:

1. Taxi Cab Business located at 171 Jersey Ave-

Committee discussed adding taxi commercial as a conditional to the SC Zone.

Mr. Rivera noted he thinks it's a good idea and has no issues moving forward with the proposed change.

Mrs. Powrie agrees with Mr. Rivera and noted taxi commercial should be in both CBD and the SC zones.

Mrs. Randazzo noted that if approved the applicant would still have to go through the planning board process.

Mrs. Randazzo, Mrs. Mann, Mayor Decker all read letters of support for the taxi business located in the SC zone.

Mr. Belcher stated he didn't think Port Jervis needed another taxi cab service and doesn't think it should be approved.

Mrs. Randazzo doesn't see an issue with having another taxi business in the city.

Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to propose local law #8 regarding special use for a taxi dispatching business operating in the SC zone and send to Corporation Counsel for review.

AYE: 6 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 1 (Mr. Belcher) ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

2. Former Sam & Mabel's Building located at 138 West Main Street-

Committee discussed adding specialty foods as a permitted use to the R1 & R2 zones.

Mr. Rivera noted that he and Mrs. Powrie have a difference of opinion on this topic. He agrees this would be a good addition to the area but certain stipulations would have to be met, such as, allowing specialty foods as a permitted use to the R1 & R2 in already existing structures.

Mrs. Powrie would recommend a use variance through the Zoning Board so it doesn't affect the entire residential zone. She would like the committee to treat this topic as a specific case instead of changing the zone.

Committee discussed current zoning laws and code language.

Mayor Decker suggested drafting a local law to merge language to include specialty foods into the convenience store definition.

Mrs. Powrie read the current convenience store definition.

Mrs. Randazzo read a comment from Mrs. Duryea, noting she was not in favor of a global change in the R1 & R2 zones but thought having a specific permitted use for the Sam & Mabel's property was fine.

Motion by Mr. Bavoso, seconded by Mrs. Trovei to have corporation council draft documents pertaining to language on specialty foods and convenience stores.

AYE: 7 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

New Business: No new business

Public Comment: *About Topics Covered in Tonight's Meeting*

No public comment.

Mrs. Randazzo inquired about 126 Front Street and the City owned Demolition grant.

Mr. Rivera stated the grant demolition project is moving forward. Mr. Rivera also updated the committee on the property located at 126 Front Street, noting the building has been declared a dangerous building and reviewed the violation history.

Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Mrs. Mann to adjourn the meeting at 6:57pm.

AYE: 7 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Next Scheduled Code Meeting: **September 5th, 2018 @ 7:00 pm - Council Chambers**