



CITY OF WATERTOWN
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
WATERTOWN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
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MINUTES

On Wednesday evening, September 25, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Administration Building, the Zoning Board of Appeals held a public hearing. The meeting and public hearing were conducted in a 'hybrid' format with options for public participation both in-person and via remote means, in accordance with applicable law.

Members in attendance (remote): David Ferris, *Acting Chair*; Christopher Heep, *Member*; Samuel Odamah, *Alternate*; Gregory Girard, *Alternate*

Members Absent: Melissa SantucciRozzi, *Chair*; Alexander Dale, *Member*

Staff present (in-person): Gideon Schreiber, *Director of Planning and Zoning*; Sameena Pirani, *Administrative Specialist*. Staff present (remote): Antonio Mancini, *Zoning Enforcement Officer*.

Due to the light agenda, Chair SantucciRozzi, prior to the meeting, had approved of all members being remote. Acting Chair David Ferris opened the meeting at about 7:08 PM. He introduced the Board Members and staff and went over the Agenda. He also stated that Members Girard and Odamah would be acting as full members this evening. Staff stated that given the nature of the meeting, there would be no public hearing. The Board members and audience could raise their hand through Zoom features if they needed assistance.

Member Ferris confirmed with staff that a motion could be made for the approval of the meeting minutes despite the absence of some voting members who attended that meeting. Motion to approve the July 24, 2024, meeting minutes was made by Member Heep and seconded by Member Girard. The motion was approved by roll call vote 4-0 with Members Ferris, Girard, Heep, and Odamah voting in favor.

Motion to approve August 28, 2024, meeting minutes was made by Member Heep and seconded by Member Odamah. The motion was approved by roll call vote 4-0 with Members Ferris, Girard, Heep, and Odamah voting in favor.

The above minutes represent only a summary of the public hearing. For a more detailed account of the meeting, please visit the Watertown Cable Access Corp channel at, vodwcatv.org/CablecastPublicSite/gallery/47?channel=3 where a video of the hearing can be viewed.

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At Acting Chairs request, Motion to continue the petition to the ZBA's October meeting was made by Member Heep, seconded by Member Odamah. The motion was approved by roll call vote 4-0 with Members Ferris, Girard, Heep, and Odamah voting in favor.

Staff stated that the first reading of the zoning amendments for the Watertown Square Area Plan were submitted to the City Council and have been posted online, along with the meeting dates.

Motion to adjourn was made by Member Heep, seconded by Member Girard. Motion was approved (4-0) with Members Ferris, Girard, Heep, and Odamah voting in favor.

Meeting ended at approximately 7:15 PM

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