

City of Westfield

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Martin Newman, Chair
Richard Sullivan III, Member
Gary Bacchiocchi, Member
Sofia Williams, Alternate

May 4, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Newman @ 7:00 p.m. Room 315, Municipal Building, 59 Court Street, Westfield, MA.

- Members present
 Members absent

Staff

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Martin Newman, Chair | <input type="checkbox"/> Jay Vinskey, Principal Planner |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard Sullivan III, Member | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christine Fedora, Clerk |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gary Bacchiocchi, Member | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sofia Williams, Alternate | |
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1. *Call to order:* Chairman Newman called the meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals to order at 7:00 P.M. in Room 315, Municipal Building, 59 Court Street. Westfield MA. Members introduced themselves.

2. *Public Participation:* Chairman Newman asked if there as anyone in the room who would like to address the Board regarding an item not on the agenda. None presented.

3. *Review and Acceptance of new applications & scheduling of public hearings.*

John Pagliaro addressed the Board informing them he would like to build a duplex on a .85 lot, they are short on the lot size but have enough frontage, there will be septic and town water.

Chairman Newman informed him he would have to show the hardship with the property not the individual hardship, it has to relate to the property itself, as well as stressing the uniqueness of the property, variances are difficult to get another factor that has to be addressed is it cannot be a detriment to the property .

The Board also noted the property should be staked off, as well as a plot plan should be presented to the Board they also suggested they may want to talk to their neighbors.

Member Sullivan MOTIONED, seconded by Bacchiocchi to accept the application and schedule for May 25th.

4. *Review and approval of previous minutes (4/27)*

Tabled until next meeting.

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5. Discussion of amending the ordinance (Section 1-30 Board of Appeals)

Member Bacchiocchi MOTIONED, seconded by Sullivan to have Principal Planner Jay Vinskey work on a petition for the City Council regarding (Section 1-30 Board of Appeals) All in favor.

Motion to adjourn at 7:20. All in favor.

APPROVED