

Village of Athens Zoning Review Committee

Minutes from meeting on February 19, 2009; Committee members in attendance: Margaret Moree, Chris Pfister, Tim O'Leary, Denise Hartman and Chairman Mark Levanway.

Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm by Chairman Levanway

Chairman Levanway opened the meeting with the Committee reading a letter received from Mr. Richard Apfel. Committee members agreed that Chairman Levanway should acknowledge receipt of the letter and, to the extent possible, respond to the issues raised in his letter.

Additionally, Committee members were unaware that approved meeting minutes from previous meetings had not been posted and took the necessary steps to correct the situation.

Given the substantial modifications proposed in the February 5, 2009 meeting to the proposed Historic Review Commission section of the draft zoning code, a revised text was provided to all committee members. Committee members agreed to review this draft of the revised text to determine whether it reflected recommendations at the March 5, 2009 meeting.

Chairman Levanway provided committee members with a crosswalk of sections related to the special permit use and site plan processes and suggested that committee members review both sections with a goal of discussing for possible modifications at the March 5, 2009 meeting.

92-20. STEEP SLOPE STANDARDS

B. Change to read: Any parcel that contains more than 10% of total acreage in slopes 15% or greater shall be considered to contain steep slopes. Further review by the committee of this section will be done in the future.

E. Change to read: Any proposed disturbance for improvements of utility construction in areas of 25% slopes or steeper shall require a variance approval from the ZBA and must demonstrate, via analysis of alternatives, that the utility improvements are necessary in the sloped area and affect the sloped area to the minimum extent possible.

92-21. LIGHTING

3). Change to read: The source of the lights shall be shielded. Fixtures shall be mounted in such a manner that the cone of light is not directed at any property line of the site.

6). Delete existing #6 and renumber the existing #7 as the new #6 and change to read: Only white or off-white (light yellow tones) may be used for any light source. This shall not apply to seasonal or holiday lighting.

8). Delete existing #8 completely.

7). Delete existing #9 and renumber as the new #7.

10). Delete existing #10 and renumber as the new #8.

11). Delete existing #11 and renumber as the new #9.

Meeting adjourned by Chairman Levanway at 9:10 pm Next meeting is March 5, 2009 at 6:30 pm.

RMH/me

CC: Andrea Smallwood, Mayor