

STATE OF NEW YORK : COUNTY OF ROCKLAND

TOWN OF STONY POINT : PLANNING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER

OF

111 SOUTH LIBERTY DRIVE

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Town of Stony Point
19 Clubhouse Lane
Stony Point, New York
August 24, 2023
7:09 p.m.

BEFORE:

JAMES PURCELL, ACTING CHAIRMAN
KERRI ALESSI, BOARD MEMBER
ROLAND BIEHLE, BOARD MEMBER
MICHAEL FERGUSON, BOARD MEMBER
ERIC JASLOW, BOARD MEMBER
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CHAIRMAN PURCELL: Okay. Before we get tonight's meeting going, actually, just two things we're going to do. One, we're going to start with tonight's public hearing is going to be adjourned for 111 Liberty, and our attorney will explain why.

MR. HONAN: Good evening, everyone. My name is Steve Honan. I'm the attorney advising the Board.

We recently received a letter from the attorney for the applicant 111 South Liberty. And what he has requested is an adjournment of the public hearing until our September meeting. So I thank you for coming out tonight, but we will not be continuing the public hearing tonight and taking comments from the public. But that will take place at our next scheduled meeting in September, which is -- does anyone know what the date is?

CHAIRMAN PURCELL: 28th.

MR. HONAN: September 28. So that's next month. So if you came out, I'm sorry,

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but we will not be hearing that application tonight at the request of the attorney for the applicant. Yes, sir.

MR. JULIAN: I would like to invite the people who came for that hearing to meet next door at the lounge. We have a room that we rented. We're going to discuss what citizens can do.

And not to contest the Planning Board, but to give the Planning Board an option and tell them through our work and findings we believe that they can stop this building. And we're going to give suggestions of why we think they have to do that. And there's been a lot of talk, fear of the Planning Board being, facing litigation if the business developer doesn't get his way. Well, I think we have to discuss a Article 78 if the citizens don't get their way.

So that's what we're going to do. We're not contesting. We're going to give our findings to the Planning Board. But we're pretty convinced that this building, as it stands today, will not meet the Zoning or

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Planning Board codes. So we're going to meet right outside and in front of Patriot Lounge. Thank you.

MR. HONAN: Okay, sir, and that's fine if you meet outside. I also encourage you, if you have any comments for this Board, you can put them in writing and submit them to the Board so that we can consider them and the applicant can consider them. But as of right now, we really cannot discuss the particulars of this application because the applicant is not here.

CHAIRMAN PURCELL: And you can still continue to submit, like our attorney said, to the clerk. Excuse me, secretary of the Planning Board, Mary. You can still submit things, so.

So I just also, I got to address something real quick. George, just to let you know, going forward, this was a resolution by the Town Board about designating a photography area, video and media. The Town passed a resolution about it. So if you were to take video, recording

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or anything, you have to be in that area there. Okay. This was a resolution that was done by the Town Board. So if you could, George, if you're going to record or whatever, if you could just please move over to the area. We really appreciate it.

So, yes, ma'am.

MS. JESSIE: I just wanted to know when the --

CHAIRMAN PURCELL: Hold on a second. George, I asked very kindly.

MR. POTANOVIC: I'm doing it from my seat.

CHAIRMAN PURCELL: George, you're recording. I'm not here to --

MR. POTANOVIC: I'm recording from my seat.

CHAIRMAN PURCELL: George, the Town Board passed a resolution.

MR. POTANOVIC: When did they pass a resolution? I was at the last --

CHAIRMAN PURCELL: Resolution was passed on August 8th at 7:00 p.m., 2023. Protocol, concerning protocol for video recordings or

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photography used during Town Hall meetings.
So I'm not -- don't kill the messenger here.
I'm just relaying the message from the Town Board. I'm asking very nice and professionally if you could please have yourself into the area that's been designated by the Town Board to do your recordings.

MR. POTANOVIC: Okay.

CHAIRMAN PURCELL: Please, George.

That's all I'm asking, George, nicely.

MR. HONAN: George, if you could please remove yourself from that area. You're blocking the fire door. It's not permitted for anyone to be seated in that area while we have occupancy in the room.

MR. POTANOVIC: There were seats here.

MR. HONAN: Well, you see they're moveable and --

CHAIRMAN PURCELL: George, again, I'm asking nicely. I appreciate it. I think it's great you're videotaping everything. But if you just follow the Town Board's rules, that's all we ask. I'm not asking anything out of the ordinary. Thank you,

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2 George. Appreciate it. So.

3 MR. HONAN: No, no. Please leave that
4 area. You're in a fire zone. So if you
5 could get off that side of the table. If you
6 want to get up, I'll move your seat where you
7 can sit.

8 CHAIRMAN PURCELL: It's an egress,
9 George. That's what it is. George, also, if
10 anybody has recordings -- George, if you have
11 recordings on, please turn them off and go
12 over here, please. There's something on top
13 of --

14 MR. POTANOVIC: That's a recording of
15 the sound. I'm going to record the sound.

16 CHAIRMAN PURCELL: George, you have to
17 do it over there, George. Just, please.

18 MR. POTANOVIC: I record the audio of
19 the meeting from there.

20 CHAIRMAN PURCELL: George, I don't make
21 the rules. The Town Board does. I'm asking
22 kindly and nicely. That's all, George. I
23 don't want to be difficult. We want to get
24 the meeting going.

25 MR. POTANOVIC: I'm recording from this

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speaker so I can hear -- you can't hear --

CHAIRMAN PURCELL: George.

MR. POTANOVIC: It says photography and video. I'm doing a recording. You have a recording of --

MR. JULIAN: We have our own meeting right in the room over here. We'll be discussing what we can do legally to address this 111 South Liberty.

CHAIRMAN PURCELL: George, you have an issue, talk to Jim. I'm just conveying what resolution they passed. That's all, George. It's in their resolution, George. I'm just asking you kindly. Thank you, George. I appreciate it. Yes, young lady.

MS. JESSIE: I'll try again. Donna Jessie, 50 Gilmore Drive, Stony Point, New York. I just wanted to find out when that letter was received by the Planning Board, if you don't mind.

CHAIRMAN PURCELL: Which letter?

MS. JESSIE: The one that you just addressed from the 111 attorney.

CHAIRMAN PURCELL: The attorney would

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have to answer that.

MR. HONAN: It wasn't sent to the Planning Board. It was sent to my office. I saw it today. I forwarded it along. You can get a copy of it. It will be part of the Planning Board file for this particular application.

MS. JESSIE: Okay, thank you.

CHAIRMAN PURCELL: You're welcome.


(Time noted: 7:16 p.m.)

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