

TOWNSHIP OF EVESHAM

Planning Board

Minutes

March 7, 2024

7:00 P.M.

Municipal Building

Call to Order

Meeting brought to order by Chairperson Killion-Smith at 7:00 p.m.

Flag Salute

Statement of Conformance with Open Public Meetings Act

Chairperson Killion-Smith made the statement that this meeting is being conducted in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act and all other applicable laws of the State of New Jersey. Notice of the conduct of this meeting has been posted in the Evesham Township Municipal Building and published in a newspaper of general circulation within the time required by law. All proceedings will be in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the Municipal Land Use Law, and any other applicable laws of the State of New Jersey.

Present: Friedman, Higginbotham, Todd, Wyllner, McLaughlin, Everhart, Killion-Smith

Absent: Bock, Costello, Councilman Freeman, Mayor Veasy

Staff: Karp, Arcari, Newton, Kinney

Continuation of Scheduled Matters – None

New Business

1. 2003 Lincoln Drive W., Suite A

P24-01

Block 1.10, Lot 3 (C-1) – Lincoln Drive Rehabilitation Area

Robotech Educational Services, Inc.

Jeffrey M. Brennan – Attorney for Applicant

John Grater, President/Founder – sworn

Applicant is seeking site plan waiver to convert an existing 3,442 sq. ft. vacant office into a private educational facility

Robotech provides after school robotic/STEM programs for children ages 10-17

Hours of operation – Monday – Thursday 4:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., closed Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Saturday

Approximately 60 children total – 15 at a time – 2 teacher at all times

There are 12 assigned parking spaces

Most children are dropped off

No deliveries

No new signage proposed

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Stacey Arcari – ERI – letter dated 3-1-2024
Applicant has addressed all comments and recommendations
There are 2 classes at night. Drop off is at off peak hours

Board Comment

Board Member Friedman – why is the applicant before the board if they are only moving from one space to another space

Mr. Karp – this is a redevelopment location and Section D of the Redevelopment Plan states an applicant must come to the Board for change of use – office to educational

Board Member Bock – referring to ERI letter – whether bike racks should be considered
Mr. Grater – they are not needed for this site

Public Comment - None

Motion to approve site plan waiver – Wyllner

Second – Higginbotham

Ayes: Friedman, Higginbotham, Todd, Wyllner, McLaughlin, Everhart, Killion-Smith

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Motion to approve 1-18-2024 Minutes - Everhart

Second – Wyllner

Ayes: Friedman, Higginbotham, Todd, Wyllner, McLaughlin, Everhart, Killion-Smith

Memorialization of Resolution - None

Board Comment – None

Communication/Organization

Board Secretary Newton – received letter from The Pinelands Commission dated February 20, 2024 concerning the 2023 Open Space and Recreation Plan and Planning Board Resolution 2023-PB-20 memorializing the adoption of the plan. It has been determined that the Plan raises no substantial issues with respect to the CMP standards

Next Meeting – March 21, 2024

Meeting Adjourn – 7:20 p.m.