BOROUGH OF STONINGTON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 13, 2014 7:30 PM Borough Hall

ROLL CALL: Chair Julia Roberts called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. In attendance were Chris Errichetti, Susan Tohbe, Rich Easton, Betsy Carr, Stuart Schwartzstein, and Ben Davol. Doug Lyons and ZO David Atkinson were absent. Easton objected to holding meeting when Dave Atkinson is absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 8, 2014. Motion to approve made by Carr, seconded by Tohbe. Vote in favor unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS:

Application # P 14-05: 13 Main Street, David and Lori Dyer, Owners, Chris Carey, Applicant. Application for Site Plan Approval and Design Review for renovations to an existing house in the RP District. Motion to approve subject to applicant demonstrating compliance of 3.3.2.6. (i) by Easton, seconded by Errichetti. Vote in favor unanimous.

Application # P 14-06: 8 Trumbull Street, Yuri Ostapiux, Owner, T. F. Buxton, Applicant. Application for Site Plan Approval and Design Review for renovations to an existing house in the R-2 District. Tom Buxton presented the application. Motion to approve made by Carr, seconded by Tohbe. Vote to approve with Easton abstaining.

Application # P 14-07: 91 Water Street, Matthew and Helaine Coudert, Owners. Application for Site Plan Approval for the construction of a six foot fence at an existing house in the RP District. No one was present for the application. Motion to deny application made by Carr, seconded by Roberts. Vote in favor unanimous.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Jim Quinn comments regarding 4 Denison Avenue

Jim Quinn voiced his objection to the shower at 4 Denison; is too close to the property line and violates set back. Roberts asked that Mr. Quinn see Dave Atkinson and review the application.

Review of proposed zoning amendments for June 10, 2014 hearing

Easton objected to scheduling public hearing before discussion on the matter. Discussion was held. It was agreed to move forward with the public hearing to adopt the amendments.

Review of NESS letter

Since some board members hadn't read the letter, discussion was postponed until the next meeting.

Discussion on uses in the Velvet Mill

A discussion was held. Two members of the public spoke. A letter from Mill Tenants was read into the record. It was agreed to draft changes to allow additional uses including events such as lectures, weddings and musical performances and to relax other restrictions.

Is the "Swooner" sign permitted? Parking and tables seem different than expected. Errechetti spoke to Dave Atkinson.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM