

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Minutes

October 28, 2013

Eron Moore, Chairman	Present
Ronnie Allen	Present
Mark Burson	Present
John Pentecost	Present
Bill Perkins	Present

Chairman Moore called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and declared a quorum present.

Mr. Moore asked for the approval of the prior meeting minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Allen to approve the prior meeting minutes of June 24, 2013. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pentecost. The motion carried. 4-0

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Kayla Mitten
799 Slew Avenue
Lawrenceville, GA 30043**

Appeal of Pouring Permit Denial

Mr. Moore asked for a presentation from the Planning Department. Mr. Ferguson gave a report and stated that the applicant was denied a pouring permit request after a background check through the City of Lawrenceville Police Department revealed a charge in February 2013 with which Ms. Mitten plead NOLO. Mr. Ferguson stated that the Police Department denial should serve as the staff recommendation for the appeal.

Mr. Moore asked if the applicant was present. Ms. Mitten spoke and asked the Board Members to consider her appeal because she was now working two jobs and has a child to take care of. Mr. Moore asked if the Board Members had any questions of the applicant. Mr. Pentecost asked where the shoplifting occurred. Ms. Mitten stated that the shoplifting occurred at Spencer's Gifts at the Mall of Georgia.

Ms. Sandra Durben, the applicant's Mother, then asked if she could address the Board. Mr. Moore allowed Ms. Durben to speak. Mrs. Durben stated that though she was initially disappointed in her daughter for making a questionable decision, she was proud of the way she had handled the entire situation. Her daughter was in the process of completing all of the first offender requirements from the court and was working hard to support her child. Ms. Durben requested that the Board take those facts in consideration of Ms. Mitten's appeal.

Mr. Moore then entertained a motion. Mr. Allen made a motion to deny the appeal as requested. Mr. Burson seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4-0

Mr. Moore asked if there were any other reports from staff or Board members. Mr. Ferguson stated that the Board would be meeting in November.

Mr. Moore then called for a motion for adjournment. Mr. Allen made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Perkins seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0

Eron Moore, Chairman

Joshua M. Ferguson, Director
Planning and Zoning Department