

January 22, 2013

**TUCKAHOE PLANNING BOARD
TUCKAHOE VILLAGE HALL – 7:30pm**

Present: Chairperson Ann Marie Ciaramella
Commissioner Raymond Nerenberg
Commissioner Melba Caliano
Commissioner Antonio Leo
Commissioner Tim Miller
Commissioner Eric Fang
Commissioner Reyes-Guerra

Absent: Commissioner Clare Gorman

Also in Attendance:

John Cavallaro Village Attorney
Bill Williams Building Inspector

Chairwoman Ciaramella announced the evening's agenda as follows:

Item #1 Eagle Scout Presentation

Item #2 20 Chestnut

Amended Site Plan Approval

Item #3 100 Main Street

Adjourned

Item #1 Matteo Maroun Boy Scout Troop 1 Tuckahoe Marble Presentation

Boy Scouts in attendance - Eric Scanga, Sebastian Maroun, Michael McCrink, and Troop Leader Bill Chilson

Matteo Maroun offered a presentation of his Eagle Scout project to the Planning Board. His goal is to raise awareness and preserve the Tuckahoe marble that is currently located throughout the Village.

The following was proposed:

Additional language to any and all Tuckahoe Village Building Permit paperwork that is required when demolishing, altering and/or renovating a building structure located in the Village of Tuckahoe.

A Village Board Resolution that would state the Village Board Commitment to the reuse, repurpose and preservation of all Tuckahoe Marble.

Matteo and his troop surveyed the entire Village of Tuckahoe and discovered a tremendous amount of Tuckahoe marble located throughout the Village. He presented a slide show of some of the examples that were identified and documented.

Matteo asked that the proposed language be included with any appropriate building department forms would ask the homeowner and/or developer if there were any Tuckahoe marble contained in the building structure or on the property, of which a permit is being requested.

Additionally it would seek to determine if the renovations or demolition of aforementioned property propose to include or remove said marble. In the event that the marble will not be included or reused, the homeowner/property owner could consider donating the marble to the Village of Tuckahoe.

The homeowner is under no obligation to comply with such request and in no way should this infringe upon the rights of the owner.

Matteo noted that this change would preserve the history and heritage by insuring that Tuckahoe marble stays in Tuckahoe. He also added that there is a plethora of Tuckahoe Marble in surrounding villages and towns, and they may be inspired to take similar actions.

Matteo sought assistance from Trustee Janette Hayes and Councilwoman Sheila Marcotte for this project. He added that Frank DiMarco, DPW, offered his assistance to pick up the donated marble.

Chairwoman Ciaramella commented on the quality and depth of Matteo's presentation.

Commissioner Leo commented on the comprehensive submission. He noted that Mr. DiMarco has a program in place to accept donated marble to the Village.

Commissioner Reyes-Guerra noted that it would be good for the village to have a documentation of inventory of the marble throughout the Village. This information could also be incorporated into historical documents.

Commissioner Nerenberg noted that the quarry on the north side of Tuckahoe still has slabs of marble visible. The site of the Phoenix Fitness Center was where the factory was located for the marble from the quarry. Westy's site was completely Tuckahoe marble.

Chairwoman Ciaramella advised Matteo to speak to Commissioner Nerenberg for a resource.

Commissioner Fang noted that the presentation was very thorough and the idea to improve awareness and community pride is wonderful. The recommendation for residents to stop and think about the marble is very appropriate.

Commissioner Miller noted that he too was an Eagle Scout and appreciated the work involved in the project. He asked how one could identify Tuckahoe marble from other marble.

Matteo noted that one could see rods in the stone, it is a white color marble and by the age of the structure.

Chairwoman Ciaramella thanked Matteo and the other scouts and congratulated his parents.

Item #2 20 Chestnut

Amended Site Plan Approval

Mr. Anthony Rizzo noted that the changes along the north side include a fence, small retaining wall with drain to catch drainage and additional plantings. He is currently waiting for the small fence. The driveways are complete according to the amended plans.

Commissioner Caliano motioned to open the public hearing, seconded by Commissioner Leo and carried unanimously by the Board.

No Public Comments

Commissioner Nerenberg motioned to close the public hearing, seconded by Commissioner Caliano and carried unanimously by the Board.

Commissioner Leo motioned to approve the application as submitted tonight, was seconded by Commissioner Caliano and carried unanimously by the Board.

Item #3 100 Main Street

Adjourned

Chairwoman Ciaramella wished all a Happy New Year.

There being no further comments from the public or business before the Board, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.