

*Village of Barrington  
Zoning Board of Appeals Special Meeting  
Minutes Summary*

Date: December 12, 2017

Location: Village Board Room  
200 South Hough Street  
Barrington, Illinois

In Attendance: Jeff Anderson, Commissioner  
Mike Ward, Commissioner  
Susan Ferry, Commissioner  
Joann Lee, Commissioner  
Dan Hogan, Vice-Chairperson  
Anna Bush, Chairperson

Staff Members: Natalie Nye

**Call to Order**

Chairperson Bush called the special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call noted the following: Richard Ehrle, absent; Mike Ward, present; Jeff Anderson, present; Susan Ferry, present; Joann Lee, present; Vice-Chairperson Hogan, present; Chairperson Anna Markley Bush, present.

There being a quorum, the meeting proceeded.

Chairperson Bush announced the order of proceedings and swore in those wishing to address the Commission.

Commissioner Ward recused himself from the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

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**New Business**

**ZBA 17-02:** 220 S. Cook Street - Public Hearing

**Applicant:** Ryan Mizgate  
1161 Oak Street  
North Aurora, IL 60542

**Owner:** Michael G. Ward & Kevin Carter  
220 Cook LLC  
6676 Lincoln Avenue  
Lincolnwood, IL 60712

The Petitioner, Ryan Mizgate, seeks approval of a Special Use to open and operate a Professional Office on the first story at 220 S. Cook Street, Suite 102 (Chapter 7, Section 5-D). The property is zoned B-4 Village Center District.

Mr. Ryan Mizgate, 1161 Oak Street, North Aurora, said they are an insurance and financial services office. They would like to locate in downtown Barrington because they do most of their business in this area.

Ms. Nye said that every special use is specific to the business and the location. The special use is not transferrable. Barrington reserves the first floor for retail and restaurants and other high traffic uses. Since this business would locate in the back of the building, it is a less desirable location. It has been vacant since July. Staff is supportive of this special use.

Vice-Chairperson Hogan moved to approve ZBA 17-02, a Special Use to open and operate a Professional Office on the first story at 220 S. Cook Street, Suite 102 (Chapter 7, Section 5-D). Commissioner Ferry seconded the motion.

*Roll call noted the following: Commissioner Ehrle, absent; Commissioner Ward, recused; Commissioner Anderson, yes; Commissioner Ferry, yes; Commissioner Lee, yes; Vice-Chairperson Hogan, yes; Chairperson Bush, yes. The vote was 5 ayes – 1 recused; the motion carried.*

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Commissioner Ward rejoined the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

**ZBA 17-03:** 495 W. Northwest Highway - Public Hearing

**Applicant:** Van J. Paulus  
152 E. Hillside Road  
Barrington, IL 60010

**OWNER:** Callas Family Partners  
505 W. Northwest Highway  
Barrington, IL 60010

The Petitioner, Van J. Paulus, seeks approval of a Special Use to open and operate a Commercial Amusement Center at 495 W. Northwest Highway (Chapter 7, Section 7.2 D). The property is zoned B-1 General Business District.

Mr. Van Paulus, 152 E. Hillside Road, said they would like to put six rooms at the property on Northwest Highway, one of which will be a party room for functions before or after the game.

Ms. Nye said this is a unique use that does not have its own category. The proposed business, Xscape in Time, is an escape room facility, which hosts small group gatherings that perform a series of tasks, games and puzzles to complete the objective, which is to escape from the room. This location has been largely vacant for the last few years. The Petitioner is proposing substantial renovations to the tenant space in order to modify the existing auto service bays into an entertainment facility. No additional exceptions or variations are requested. Staff thinks it is a great use for the area. They should not need any exceptions. Staff would like the parking lot to be updated and striped.

Commissioner Lee asked if there is any site lighting required.

Ms. Nye said they may be required to put in some new light bulbs. The hours of operation should be 2 – 9 pm on weekdays and 10 am – 10 pm on weekends, which may fluctuate.

Commissioner Ferry asked if it would be mostly adults participating.

Mr. Paulus said it would be all ages.

Commissioner Ward moved to approve ZBA 17-03, a Special Use to open and operate a Commercial Amusement Center at 495 W. Northwest Highway (Chapter 7, Section 7.2 D). Vice-Chairperson Hogan seconded the motion.

*Roll call noted the following: Commissioner Ehrle, absent; Commissioner Ward, yes; Commissioner Anderson, yes; Commissioner Ferry, yes; Commissioner Lee, yes; Vice-Chairperson Hogan, yes; Chairperson Bush, yes. The vote was 6-0; the motion carried.*

### **Minutes**

#### **December 6, 2016**

Vice-Chairperson Hogan motioned to approve the December 6, 2016 meeting minutes, by a voice vote, recorded all ayes. Commissioner Ward seconded the motion. Chairperson Bush declared the minutes approved.

#### **2018 Meeting Schedule**

Vice-Chairperson Hogan motioned to approve the 2018 Meeting Schedule, by voice vote, all recorded were ayes. Commissioner Ward seconded the motion. Chairperson Bush declared the motion approved.

*Planners Report*

*Adjournment*

Commissioner Ward moved to adjourn the meeting and Vice Chairperson Hogan seconded. Chairperson Bush adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean M. Emerick  
Recording Secretary

Approval Date: January 23, 2018