

Town of Odessa

**MINUTES FROM THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT HEARING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2024 - 7:00 PM
315 MAIN STREET
ODESSA, DE 19730**

Those present at 7:00 PM:

Connie Miller
Patricia Crilley
Jim Grant
Meghan Mahoney
Teddy Barnes
Town Secretary Amy Marie Ottinger
Mayor Harvey C. Smith Jr
(1) community member

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes

MOTION BY JIM GRANT, SECONDED BY MEGHAN MAHONEY, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE AUGUST 1, 2023 BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 5 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN

4. Public Hearing for Special Exception Request – BOA Application #2024-01
 - 315 Main Street, Parcel #24003.00146
 - Request by Mayor & Council (property owners), attached hereto as Attachment A (*1-page request*) for special exception approval to use the property for professional services.
 - Mayor Smith explained to the Board that the photographer who was renting the larger Unit B terminated his lease in August. The costumer in Unit A (Magic & Main) has decided to move to the larger Unit B. The smaller unit is now available, and Mayor and Council are requesting permission to rent that unit to a financial advisor. The proposed renter specializes in financial planning with Prudential. He will be using the property daily with primarily daytime hours. He could add 1-2 additional advisors in the future and plans to have client meetings if customers come from downstate. The Newark office on Continental Drive will remain his primary office.
 - The proposed tenant has been vetted by our property management company, Stanley Properties.
5. Public questions and comments – There were no public questions or comments.

6. Board Discussion, deliberation and vote

MOTION BY JIM GRANT, SECONDED BY TEDDY BARNES, TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION REQUEST TO USE 315 MAIN STREET FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 5 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN

7. Adjournment

MOTION BY JIM GRANT, SECONDED BY PATRICIA CRILLEY, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:08 PM.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 5 AYES, 0 NAYS