TOWN OF WASHINGTON

Bryan Memorial Town Hall

Post Office Box 383

Washington Depot, Connecticut 06794

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

June 15, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Bowman, Mr. Wyant, Mr. Wildman, Mr. Horan, Mr. Weber

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALTERNATES PRESENT: Ms. Sweeney

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STAFF PRESENT: T. Rill, M. Haverstock

PUBLIC PRESENT: A. Westfall

The meeting was called to Order at 7:30pm.

Seated for the Public Hearing is Chair Bowman, Mr. Wildman, Mr. Horan, Mr. Wyant and Mr. Weber

ZBA-1152: Request of Glantz, 7 Senff Rd., for a Variance – Section 12.14.2.A – Noise Generating Equipment – for a generator:

Ms. Westfall, representative for the property owner, stated that her clients are proposing to install a generator that will be located 54-feet from the residence, 30-feet from the property line. The proposed generator would also be located 54-feet from the neighboring residence. The decibel level would be 33.35 at 54-feet.

The Board questioned if the proposed generator could be placed further away from the property line. Ms. Westfall explained that there were several obstacles, including stone steps, a pool, the well, and several windows – which is considered a safety issue for generator placement.

The Board asked for the decibel level from the nearest property line. Ms. Waterfall stated that the estimated level was 38.46 dB, at 30 feet from property line.

Chair Bowman explained that Zoning Regulation Section 12.14.4 was designated for a Special Exception application that is seeking to locate noise generating equipment other than, so long as the sound level at the nearest property line is no higher than 50dB. According to the spec sheet provided by the applicant, the noise level is calculated to be 68dB.

The Board requested that Ms. Westfall reach out to the manufacturer to get an accurate reading on the noise level at the property line. If the decibel level is less than 50, the applicant can then request a Special Exception under Section 12.14.4.

The applicant requested a continuance for the July meeting.

MOTION: To grant a continuance to ZBA-1152: Request of Glantz, 7 Senff Rd., for a Variance – Section 12.14.2.A – Noise Generating Equipment – for a generator, by Mr. Wyant, seconded by Mr. Horan, approved unanimously.

Consideration of the Minutes:

MOTION: To approve the May 25, 2023 Meeting Minutes as submitted, by Mr. Wyant, seconded by Mr. Horan, approved unanimously.

Adjournment:

MOTION: To adjourn the June 15, 2023 Washington Zoning Board of Appeals meeting at 7:53pm, by Mr. Horan, seconded by Mr. Wyant, approved unanimously.

Meeting Recording can be found here:

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Signed,

Tammy Rill

Land Use Clerk

June 20, 2023

*Minutes filed, subject to approval