

NORTH EAST BOARD OF APPEALS
North East Town Hall / 106 South Main Street
Thursday, January 26, 2023
7:00 P.M.

Chairman Maurice Tenney called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Present for the meeting included members, S.J. Anderson and Martha Kline via Zoom. Also in attendance were Betsy Vennell, Director of Planning, and Lisa Rhoades, Planning and Zoning Assistant. Melissa Cook-Mackenzie, Zoning Administrator, was absent from the meeting.

-MINUTES-

December 8, 2022

Ms. Anderson made a motion to approve the December 8, 2022 minutes, as presented. Mrs. Kline seconded the motion and the motion was approved by all.

-COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC-

None.

-OLD BUSINESS-

Case A-2017-03-SE Snatchers Creekside Grill, 510 South Main Street, North East, Maryland. Map 31E; Parcel 421. Review of existing extended Restaurant hours.

Mrs. Vennell gave a brief history of the previously approved Special Exception which carried a condition that the owner of Snatchers Creekside Grill would come before the Planning Commission and Board of Appeals for an annual review of their extended hours. Snatchers Creekside Grill is located in the Village Commercial District where businesses are permitted to operate their business during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. During the Special Exception hearing the owner was granted the ability to extend those hours to 9:00 p.m. between Sunday and Thursday and extend to 11:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Mrs. Vennell stated that the condition originated due to multiple noise complaints from a prior restaurant at this location. Since the business has changed ownership in 2017 there have been no reported noise complaints with the North East Police Department. Mrs. Vennell also reported that due to COVID, the applicant has not been back before the board since 2019. Mrs. Vennell reported that the Police Department sent a memo to the Planning Office there have been no reported complaints against Snatchers Creekside Grill.

Ms. Lynn Bollinger, 510 South Main Street, North East, Maryland, was present for the review of the extended hours. Mrs. Vennell reported that the Planning Commission met with Ms. Bollinger at their January 3, 2023 meeting and recommended to the Board of Appeals, the continuation of the extended hours as approved under the Special Exception.

APPROVED
March 23, 2023

After a brief discussion Chairman Tenney made a motion to approve the extended hours for Snatchers Creekside Grill, 510 South Main Street, North East, Maryland, as stated in the Opinion for Case: A-2017-03-SE. Ms. Kline seconded the motion and the motion was approved by all.

-NEW BUSINESS-

Election of Chairman

Ms. Anderson made a motion to re-elect Mr. Tenney as Chairman. Ms. Kline seconded the motion and the motion was approved by all.

Election of Vice-Chairman

Mr. Tenney made a motion to re-elect Ms. Anderson as Vice-Chairman. Mrs. Kline seconded the motion and the motion was approved by all.

-REPORTS-

None.

-MISCELLANEOUS-

None.

-NEXT MEETING-

The next Board of Appeals meeting, February 24, 2023, has been cancelled due to no agenda items.

-ADJOURNMENT-

Ms. Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 P.M. Mrs. Kline seconded the motion and the motion was approved by all.

Respectfully submitted:

Attest:

Lisa Rhoades
Planning and Zoning Assistant

Maurice H. Tenney, Jr.
Chairman

APPROVED
March 23, 2023