OCEANPORT PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES
January 25, 2012

Vice-Chairman Whitson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and announced that the meeting had been advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Vice-Chairman Whitson led the flag salute.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Kahle, Councilman Johnson, Mr. Savarese, Mr. Kleiberg, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Fichter, Ms. DeSousa, Mr. Whitson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. McCarthy, Mr. Widdis

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Jeanne Smith, Board Secretary, Rick DeNoia, Board Attorney, William White, Board Engineer and Planner

BOARD BUSINESS:

1. Minutes of the meeting of January 11, 2012 were approved as presented on a motion from Councilman Johnson and a second from Mr. Savarese and approved by the eligible Board members.
2. Ms. Smith advised that the Board had received a publication from the Monmouth County Planning Board which was available for their inspection.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

3. PB File: 2012-01
   Brian and Maureen Cullen
   Block 69, Lot 1
   18 Bayview Place
   Request for Bulk Variance(s) for installation of in-ground pool

Brian and Maureen Cullen, Applicants, were sworn in. Mr. White, Board Engineer and Planner was also sworn in.

Mrs. Cullen described for the Board the proposed improvement for the installation of an in-ground pool and associated equipment to be installed on the Mohawk Avenue side of the property. She explained that previously they had an in-ground pool along the same side of the property but further towards Bayview Place and in that location it could be seen from the front of the house.

Mr. Cullen referred to the Plot Plan prepared by Charles Surmounte, P.E., previously submitted to the Board and explained that their property was triangular and therefore had 3 front yards, pointed out the previous pool location and that because of the layout of the house the proposed location enables someone to observe the pool from inside the house unlike the former location.

Mr. White asked Mr. Cullen for clarification that the pool was being relocated further towards the dead end street which Mr. Cullen answered yes. Mr. White asked where the pool equipment would belocated. Mrs. Cullen answered that it would be located where the a.c. units were and indicated the location on the plan and that eventually the area would be landscaped.

Mr. White asked if they were proposing a buffer planting around the pool. Mrs. Cullen said yes and described what they were installing.

Mr. White requested that a signed and sealed survey be provided. Mrs. Cullen responded that they had submitted it to the Board Secretary.

Mr. DeNoia asked if Mr. White was satisfied with the proposed location for the pool equipment and Mr. White responded yes and explained why.

Mr. Fichter stated his only concern was the location of the pool equipment which had been addressed and stated that the curb appeal of the house was great and that what was being proposed was probably the best place on the property to put the pool.

Mr. Savarese asked about the 2nd set of steps shown on the plan behind the garage. Mrs. Cullen responded that the smaller steps went up to the garage and the larger steps to the outdoor shower. Mr. Savarese advised that they should check with town about the door exiting the garage out to the pool as it may need fencing there. Mr. Kleiberg interjected that that requirement was not the case anymore and that they were allowed to walk right from the garage out to the pool.

Mr. Sullivan asked what a wheel cleaning blanket was. Mr. White explained it was used by the heavy equipment brought in for the construction.

Ms. DeSousa asked what materials would be used for the pool patio. Mrs. Cullen answered that they had not yet decided but that it wouldn't be concrete.

Mr. Kleiberg asked if it was grass now where the pool was located and was told yes.

Councilman Johnson asked them to be cognizant of lighting and its impact on the neighbors.

PUBLIC:

Vice Chairman Whitson opened the meeting to the public for comment on the application and as no one from the public was present closed that portion of the hearing.

Mr. Sullivan commented that he was glad to see skip laurel proposed for vegetation.

Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve the application for front setback relief where 30' was required and 10' was proposed which was seconded by Mr. Kleiberg and received the following roll call:

AYES:	Mr. Kahle, Councilman Johnson, Mr. Savarese, Mr. Kleiberg, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Fichter, Ms. DeSousa, Mr. Whitson
NAYES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Mr. McCarthy, Mr. Widdis
INELIGIBLE:	None

PETITIONS FROM THE PUBLIC: Vice-Chairman Whitson opened the meeting to Petitions from the Public and as no one from the public wished to be heard, Vice-Chairman Whitson closed that portion of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Johnson which was seconded by Mr. Sullivan and approved by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

JEANNE SMITH
Secretary