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Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes June 26, 2025

Held in the Aurora Firehouse Meeting Room at 7:00 PM

Present: Chair Karen Hindenlang, Alexis Boyce, Brad Brokaw, Laura Holland, and Jeri Vargo

Others Present: Village Clerk Ann Balloni, Aurora Historical Society President Shirley Egan, ZBA Alternate Michael Groth, and Village Historian Dr. Linda Schwab

Call to Order: Ms. Hindenlang called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Changes to the Agenda: No changes

Approval of Minutes: On motion by Vargo, seconded by Brokaw, the ZBA voted to approve the minutes of May 28, 2025.

AYES: Boyce, Brokaw, Hindenlang, Holland, and Vargo NAYS: None Motion carried.

Announcements: Jeri Vargo announced her intention to resign from the ZBA and noted that tonight's meeting will be her last. Ms. Hindenlang noted that Jeri was a ZBA member from August 1991 – August 1996, a Village Trustee from 1996-2004 (served two terms), and ZBA again from June 2013-June 2025. We are all humbled by her service to the village.

Ms. Hindenlang added that recently appointed ZBA Alternate Michael Groth will fill the remainder of Jeri's term.

Ms. Hindenlang explained that the public hearing for Application #25-13 was canceled due to an error by the code enforcement officer. Upon further review of the garage addition, Officer Rhea determined that it met the definition of an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) and does not require a variance.

Ms. Hindenlang reminded the ZBA that we are halfway through the year and to get the mandated training done if it has not been completed.

Old Business: No Old Business was discussed.

New Business

Application #25-12 from the Aurora Historical Society to replace a porch at 302 Main St, Patrick Tavern (Tax Map #182.17-1-30)

Ms. Hindenlang noted that the application requires setback variances and New York State Department of Transportation (NTSDOT) approval because the porch extends into the State right-of-way. Mayor Orman announced at the June 19th Village Board meeting that he was informed that the NYSDOT approved the project. Ms. Hindenlang confirmed with Ms. Holland that the project can move forward.

Ms. Hindenlang acknowledged the photos in the project file illustrating the project footprint and requested that the code enforcement officer stake out the proposed porch for the ZBA site visit.

On motion by Boyce, second by Vargo, the ZBA voted to deem Application #25-12 timely, sufficient, and complete and to schedule the public hearing for July 23, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. AYES: Boyce, Brokaw, Hindenlang, Holland, and Vargo NAYS: None Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: On motion by Vargo, seconded by Brokaw, the ZBA voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. AYES: Boyce, Brokaw, Hindenlang, Holland, and Vargo NAYS: None Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Balloni Village Clerk