Jim Thorpe Borough Council
June 1, 2023
Public Hearing
1112 Broadview Drive – Short-Term Rental Permit Application Appeal

The Public Hearing was called to order at 8:17 p.m. by President Strubinger. The Public Hearing was held at Memorial Hall, 115 East 10th Street, Jim Thorpe, PA.

**Roll Call of Members**

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| Gregory Strubinger | Joanne Klitsch | Jay Miller-absent |
| Michael Yeastedt | Bob Schaninger | Jessica Crowley-absent |
| Michael Rivkin | Mayor Sofranko | Solicitor Nanovic |
| Borough Mgr. Sterner | Secretary Brooke Klotz | |

Solicitor Nanovic started by explaining the purpose of the Public Hearing. The applicants, Brian Sargent and Mandy Kane, submitted an application appealing the denial of the short-term rental application for 1112 Broadview Drive, Jim Thorpe, PA in the R1 Zoning District. The application for the short-term rental was submitted on September 28, 2022 and was denied by the Borough's Zoning Officer on October 17, 2022. The application to appeal the permit application decision was submitted on November 15, 2023. The applicants asked for numerous continuances for this hearing. A sign in sheet for anyone wanting to speak during Public Comment was placed out.

The applicant's lawyer, Attorney Ettinger, explained why a short-term rental permit should be issued for the property. He said that it is a non-conforming use and should be grandfathered, as it was operating before the Short-Term Rental Ordinance went into effect. Attorney Ettinger said that because of this, his clients didn't feel they needed to apply for a short-term rental permit. Attorney Ettinger entered exhibits into evidence (1-7).

Solicitor Nanovic then entered exhibits into evidence on behalf of the Borough.

Attorney Burkhart, then spoke on behalf of the Glenonoko Estates Homeowners Association. The Homeowner's Association does not believe that this property should be eligible for a Short-Term Rental due to it being in the R1 Zoning District and this is not one of the districts eligible for a short-term rental. The Homeowner's Association is not in favor of the appeal.

Joe Shigo is a homeowner who lives a few houses down from 1112 Broadview Drive and spoke against allowing a short-term rental at this property. He explained most of the homes up there are permanent residents.

**MOTION** by Mike Yeastedt, second by Bob Schaninger to **adjourn the hearing to move into executive session**. There were no comments. Motion carries 5-0. The meeting paused at 8:45 p.m.

**MOTION** by Mike Yeastedt, second by Bob Schaninger to **resume the hearing**. The were no comments. Motion carries 5-0. The meeting resumed at 8:53 p.m. **MOTION** by Michael Rivkin, second by Bob Schaninger to **deny the appeal**. There was a roll call vote:
Michael Rivkin-yes
Bob Schaninger-yes
Mike Yeastedt- yes
Joanne Klitsch- yes
Greg Strubinger- yes
Motion carries 5-0. A written decision to follow.

**MOTION** by Mike Yeastedt, second by Bob Schaninger to **adjourn the meeting**. There were no comments. Motion carries 5-0. The hearing ended at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brooke Klotz
Borough Secretary