HIGHLAND BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS Study Session Minutes February 24, 2021

Study Session began at 6:05 p.m.

In attendance were Commissioners Grzymski, Helms, Martini and Murovic. Absent was Mr. Thomas. Also in attendance were Ken Mika, Building Commissioner/Zoning Administrator and BZA Attorney, John Reed.

The Study Session and Regular Meeting were available for attendance via the Zoom Meeting Platform, Meeting ID: 984 2928 5458, Passcode: 681567.

Those in attendance were briefed by Mr. Mika in reference to the two items on the agenda this evening. He explained that the first petitioners, Steve and Jacqueline Keller, were seeking a Use Variance to expand their current Day Care business to 2635 45th Street. It was explained that their current business, which they received a Use Variance for, is doing well, which is the reason for the expansion. Mr. Mika went on to say that with the last project, they were a pleasure to work with and didn't cut any corners with the building renovation.

Those in attendance were briefed on the second agenda item, also for a Use Variance request. Mr. Mika explained that this location, 8542 Henry Street, is an existing single family home located in a B-2/Central Business District. The residential use is legal non-conforming and because of that, the home owner Alex Momcilovic is having trouble refinancing the property, due to the legal non-conforming use. He went on to say that there are no immediate or long term plans by the Town to redevelop that area and that over the past several years, the BZA has acted on similar requests for the same reason.

Study Session ended at 6:30 p.m.

Ken Mika

Building Commissioner/Zoning Administrator