

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
MANNING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Monday, October 23, 2006  
6:30 p.m.

Breeding Assembly Room  
Pansy Ridgeway Admin. Bldg.

**Members Present**

Larry Williamson, Chairman  
Thomas James  
Ted Gardner

**Members Absent**

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- I. Call Meeting to Order/Introduction:** Mr. Williamson called the meeting to order and welcomed all present.
- II. Invocation:** Mr. Gardner.
- III. Approval of Minutes:**

**Minutes of the Planning Commission Regular Meeting, July 24, 2006.**

A **motion** was made by Mr. Gardner and was seconded by Mr. James to accept the minutes as presented. No discussion. All favored.

- IV. Request No. E-2006-05 by Jameolyn Faye Thompson to be allowed a special exception to operate a day care center at 118 Lawrence Street, Tax Map # 168-15-02-001-00, zoned Residential-20 (RS-20).**

Mr. Williamson asked that anyone speaking for or against the re-zoning request to put their name and address on the sign-in sheet at the appropriate time.

Next, Mr. Williamson asked the applicant to come forward.

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**Proponents:**

**Jameolyn Faye Thompson, 118 Lawrence Street (Applicant)**

Ms. Thompson stated that she did not want a special exception to allow a day care center, but that she wanted to register to be allowed to keep six (6) children in her home. Ms. Thompson stated that her application to the Department of Social Services (DSS) is a request to keep six (6) children in a family child care home.

Ms. Thompson indicated that if the Board approves her request, she would need the decision in writing to forward to the Department of Social Services so that they could begin their process.

Mr. Williamson stated that in order to keep six (6) children in her home, she would have to come before this Board to request a special exception to be allowed to care for six (6) children in her home. Mr. Williamson read the City of Manning's Zoning Ordinance defining a child day care center versus a family day care home. In addition, Mr. Williamson asked Ms. Thompson if she understood the DSS requirements as listed in the Zoning Ordinance for Day Care Centers.

Ms. Thompson stated that she understood. Ms. Thompson asked the Board if she could submit letters of support from her neighbors.

The Board accepted and reviewed the letters. Following, Mr. Williamson asked if there was anyone else present who wished to speak on behalf of the request.

**Mrs. Faye Osborne, Mama Faye's Day Care 119 Lawrence Street**

Mrs. Osborne stated that if Ms. Thompson's request is approved, it would have little impact on the traffic in the area. Mrs. Osborne stated that care would be given to several children in one family which would not create a lot of extra cars coming in and out of the property.

**Opponents:**

**Mrs. Vera Blakley, 664 Woodside Drive**

Mrs. Blakely indicated that she opposes the request to allow a day care center in a residential area. She stated that she currently lives between two day care centers in the area within a one-block radius. Additionally, Mrs. Blakely stated that the two day care centers already create a lot a traffic. With the addition of another day care center, it would add to the traffic and have the potential to create accidents and increase the noise

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level for the elderly residents and others wanting to enjoy their homes in the area.

**Mrs. Carrie Tisdale, 112 Lawrence Street**

Mrs. Tisdale indicated that she opposes the request to allow a day care center in a residential area. Mrs. Tisdale stated that there are only three (3) houses on Lawrence Street and the additional traffic that this daycare would create is a concern.

**Mrs. Catherine Ard, 1111 Seneca Circle**

Mrs. Ard stated that she opposed the request because of the additional traffic it would create, and her concern was for the safety of the children in the neighborhood. Mrs. Ard asked if the city could enforce the speed limit and monitor the traffic in the area.

Mr. Williamson stated that the Police Department would have to address her concern for speeding.

Mrs. Adger stated that she would forward to the Police Department Mrs. Ard's concern of speeding in the neighborhood.

**Applicant's Rebuttal**

Ms. Thompson stated that she understands everyone's concern. Mrs. Thompson stated that she would like to give one-on-one care to the children and asked the Board to consider her request.

Mr. Gardner asked the applicant how many additional cars would be entering the property.

Ms. Thompson stated there would be three cars coming onto her property.

Mr. Gardner made a **motion** to approve the request to operate a day care center not to exceed six (6) children including her own. Mr. James seconded the motion. There was no discussion and all favored the motion.

Mr. Williamson stated that anyone desiring to appeal the Board's decision may appeal to the Court of Law and may follow up with Mrs. Adger for further detail.

**V. Orientation Training**

Mrs. Adger stated that there were new dates available for Session I and Session II of the Orientation Training for Zoning Officials. Mrs. Adger stated that Mr. Levy Young

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(Alternate on the Board) is scheduled to complete Session II of the training.

**VI. Comments**

**Mr. Gardner**

- I. Mr. Gardner stated that he is giving consideration to resigning as a member of the Board for health reasons and asked what the procedure would be.

Mrs. Adger stated that a letter would be needed should he wish to resign.

**VII. Adjournment**

A **motion** was made by Mr. James and was seconded by Mr. Gardner to adjourn. No discussion followed. All favored.

**Time: 7:20 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Daun Davis  
Interim Clerk**