BOROUGH OF ROOSEVELT PLANNING BOARD OCTOBER 17, 2023

Present: Allison Petrilla, Mayor Peggy Malkin, Tim Hartley, Robert Atwood, Margaret Katz and Tina Kaufman-Marut (arrived 7:58 pm)

Absent: June Ord, Fred Septak, Michael Hamilton, and Esther Psarakis

Also, Present: Board Attorney Michele Donato and Board Secretary April Claudio

Pursuant to the Sunshine Law, adequate notice in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act was provided to this meeting's date, time, place and agenda was mailed to the news media, posted on the Borough bulletin board, mailed to those requesting personal notice, and filed with the Municipal Clerk.

Mayor Malkin made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2023 meeting, which was seconded by Ms. Allison and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Petrilla, Malkin, Hartley, Atwood, Katz

Mayor & Council Update: Carmela Roberts gave a presentation to the Council on the new storm water regulations. The Borough was awarded a grant to repair the amphitheater. Discussed new regulations about feeding wildlife on public property.

Environmental Commission Update: Working on a tree inventory, monitoring the brook water levels, a gardening workshop and an open space plan.

Mayor Malkin nominated Ms. Petrilla to replace Councilman Atwood as Board Chair, which was seconded by Ms. Katz and approved unanimously.

The Board was supposed to discuss Ordinance 2023-14, regarding wineries, however the Mayor and Council did not introduce the ordinance because there were some concerns by them and the prospective buyers of the farm regarding some language in the ordinance. The limitation of 900 square feet for retail space and the limitation of 90% of the grapes must be grown on site were the issue. Ms. Donato stated neither of those are governed by state regulations so they can be removed. The Board had discussion about the pros and cons and heard from the prospective buyers on their plan for the farm. The Board decided to remove the size limit for the retail space and add that the business would operate under the same farm management unit as per state regulations. The Board agreed that if the Council accepts these changes and introduces the ordinance as discussed then, in an effort to save time, the Board agrees with proceeding with the ordinance so it does not have to come back to them for review prior to adoption. Mayor Malkin made a motion to accept these terms and authorize Ms. Donato to prepare a letter to the Borough Planner Andy Thomas, which was seconded by Councilman Atwood and approved unanimously.

Public: None

Mr. Hartley made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mayor Malkin and approved unanimously.