Chair Saeger called the Animal Control Appeal Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on December 2, 2015 in the Council Board Room of the Troy City Hall.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Patrick Carolan
Patrick Floch
Al Petrulis
Jayne Saeger

Also Present:
Paul Evans, Zoning and Compliance Specialist
Nicole MacMillan, Assistant City Attorney
Sargent Michael Szuminski, Troy Police Animal Control Liaison

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Carolan
SECOND by Petrulis

RESOLVED, to approve the agenda as submitted.

3. HEARING OF CASES

WAIVER REQUEST, JAMIE AND RENEE MUTER, 5760 CLIFFSIDE – In order to keep 3 chickens, a waiver from the requirement that the property be at least .75 of an acre in size. The property is approximately .193 acres in size. Animal Ordinance Section: 90.70.20 (f) Animal Ordinance Section 90.70.20 (f).

Mr. Evans provided a brief overview of the request. Mr. Muter apprised the Board of the history of having chickens on the property, advised that there was adjacent neighbor support, indicated that the chickens were not a nuisance, and described how the chickens are kept.

Chair Saeger opened the public hearing. A Cliffside resident spoke against the request. Mr. Evans summarized the written public comments received by the City. Four were in favor, one was conditionally in favor, and one was against. Chair Saeger closed the public hearing.

The Board noted the following:

- The .193 acres is not a sensibly-sized parcel for this request.
- That the previous identical request from 2014 was granted partially to correct errors but should not set precedent.
- That the Board was unable to have the same discussion prior to the chickens being established in 2010 when they first heard this matter in 2014.

Motion by Petrulis
Second by Floch

RESOLVED, to deny the request, but to allow the applicant 60 days to relocate the chickens.

Yes: All

MOTION PASSED

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Evans noted that the Board skipped over this item.

Moved by Carolan
Second by Petrulis

RESOLVED, to approve the March 25, 2015 meeting minutes.

Yes: All

MOTION PASSED

5. OTHER BUSINESS – Proposed 2016 Animal Control Appeal Board meeting dates

Motion by Carolan
Second by Floch

RESOLVED, to approve the proposed meeting dates.

Yes: All

MOTION PASSED

6. ADJOURNMENT

The Animal Control Appeals Board meeting ADJOURNED at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jayne Saeger

Jayne Saeger, Chair

Paul Evans

Paul Evans, Zoning and Compliance Specialist

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