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**BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

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**CITY OF PERTH AMBOY  
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman Thomas Ward.

Salute to the flag (Pledge of Allegiance was said).

The Chairman of the Perth Amboy Board of Adjustment, Thomas Ward advised the audience that notice of this meeting has been filed with the Home News Tribune, The Star Ledger, City of Perth Amboy's web page at [www.ci.perthamboy.nj.us](http://www.ci.perthamboy.nj.us) and posted on the Bulletin Board in the City Clerk's office, indicating that tonight's meeting is being held at the Council Chambers, City Hall, 260 High Street, at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

Those present: Chairman Thomas Ward, Mrs. Leslie Dominguez Rodriguez, Mr. Ronald Ray, Mr. Rinaldo Aviles and Ms. Wilma Matey

Those absent: Ms. Susan Batista, Secretary, Mrs. Linda Cruz, and Mr. Elias Rivera (all excused)

Zoning Board Staff: Jamie Rios, Administrative Officer  
Alfred J. Petit-Clair, Jr., Esq.  
Jeffrey Rauch, P.E., P.P.  
Iwona H. Cwiek, Recording Secretary

**APPLICATIONS:**

Docket No. 2989 Shiva Petroleum Inc. has been carried to the next meeting; no new notices required.

**Docket No. 2992**      **European Homes, LLC**  
355 Summit Ave.  
Block 437; Lot 22

Applicant is requesting for bulk variances. Applicant is expanding on an existing one family dwelling.

Mr. George Otlowski, Esq. is representing the applicant. He submitted an affidavit of publication and affidavit of service prior to the meeting. All witnesses are sworn-in by Mr. Petit-Clair.

Mr. Otlowski calls his first witness Mr. Angelo J. Valetutto, PE, PP. Mr. Valetutto stated that the applicant is seeking approval of a use variance to renovate and expand a one-family residential dwelling with a 26 feet by 22.8 feet addition to the existing structure. The addition includes additional basement area, a one car garage and living space above the garage. The subject tract, with frontage on Summit Avenue is located in the R-50 Residential Zone and contains 3,000 sq. ft. Mr. Valetutto submitted Exhibit A1 – Picture of the existing property. He pointed out that this is undersized lot and the owner cannot purchase any surrounding land. Mr. Valetutto addressed Feist Engineering report dated March 10, 2014, and explained the grading issue. The applicant will fully comply with this report.

Discussion on the grading and parking lot issues.

**Public portion: none**

Mrs. Dominguez Rodriguez made a motion to approve the application with the conditions set forth and the motion was so moved and seconded by Mr. Aviles. The motion was voted on and approved by the vote of 4 to 1 (Matey).

**CLOSED SESSION: none**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Chairman Ward made a motion to appoint Mrs. Dominguez Rodriguez to Vice Chairperson and the motion was so moved and seconded by Mr. Aviles. All members present were in present.

Chairman Ward made a motion to purchase new name plates for several Board's members and the motion was so moved and seconded by Mr. Aviles. All members present were in present.

Chairman Ward made a motion to purchase three (3) new MLUL books for the Board and the motion was so moved and seconded by Mr. Aviles. All members present were in favor.

5 members are scheduled to attend training.

**MEMORIALIZATIONS:**

<b>Docket No. 2984</b>	<b>New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>1/9/2014</b>
<b>Docket No. 2986</b>	<b>Iglesia Ciudad de Refugio Corp.</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>1/9/2014</b>

Mr. Aviles made a motion to approve the resolutions and the motion was so moved and seconded by Mr. Ray. The motion was voted on and approved.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:                    January 9, 2014**

Mr. Aviles made a motion to approve the minutes and the motion was so moved and seconded by Mr. Ray. The motion was voted on and approved.

The meeting of February 13, 2014, was cancelled due to weather conditions.

**ROLL CALL FOR UPCOMING MEETING:                    April 10, 2014 at 7:00 PM**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mrs. Dominguez Rodriguez made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Mr. Aviles. Motion to adjourn the meeting of March 13, 2014 was so moved.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Iwona Cwiek  
Recording Secretary