# Board of Zoning Appeals Minutes January 13, 2009

#### I. Call to order

Chairman Guy Taylor called the regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals to order on January 13, 2009 at 5:30PM in the Building Department Conference Room, 1301 Palm Boulevard. Other members present were Arnold Karig, Mike Layman, Suzanne Galloway and Tom Miller; also secretary Douglas Kerr was present. Mr. Kerr explained that the meeting was advertised in the paper and the properties were posted in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act.

#### II. Nomination and Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

Mr. Taylor asked for nominations for Chairman and Mr. Karig nominated Guy Taylor. Mr. Layman seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in favor of the nomination.

Mr. Taylor asked for nominations for Vice Chairman and Mr. Taylor nominated Arnold Karig. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in favor of the nomination.

## III. Approval of Minutes

The next item on the agenda was the review of the minutes of the November 11, 2008 meeting. Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted and Mr. Karig seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

## IV. Home Occupations

Mr. Taylor explained that the Board acted as a quasi-judicial body and all comments made were treated in the same manner as court testimony and therefore any person who would like to speak to the Board should be sworn in. He then swore in all members of the audience that would be speaking.

### #23- 24th Avenue

Mr. Kerr explained that the first request was for a home office for a home services business at #23-24<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Mr. Kerr explained that the business would include the coordination of home repairs, baby sitting services, lawn services and pool maintenance. He explained that the application states that the home will be used for office work only and there will be no exterior evidence of a

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business, no business related traffic coming to the house and no employees working at the house other than family members.

The applicant, Mr. Bramble, addressed the Board and explained that he is changing careers and would like to work with his son and daughter in the business and they will be doing home repairs, baby sitting services, lawn services and pool maintenance. He explained that there will be no business related traffic coming to the residence and that there will be no employees working in the residence other than family members.

Mr. Taylor asked Mr. Kerr if he saw any technical problems with the application. Mr. Kerr answered that the ordinance specified that there could only be one business at a house, so all activity would have be done as a single business. Mr. Karig made a motion to approve the request and Mr. Miller seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

#### V. Miscellaneous Business

The Board discussed having the Deputy City Attorney coming to a future meeting for a general discussion of being on the Board and Mr. Kerr stated that he would try to make arrangements.

### VI. Adjournment

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.