

**WORKSHOP MINUTES**  
**MAY 15, 2024**  
**7:00 P.M. AT BOROUGH HALL**

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The workshop meeting of the Borough of Interlaken was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Mayor Nohilly. The Sunshine Statement was read by Municipal Clerk, Lori Reibrich Farruggia. “The notice of the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act has been satisfied by forwarding notice to the Coaster and Asbury Park Press. A copy of the notice is posted on the Borough bulletin board and is on file in the Borough Clerk’s office.”

Present: Mayor Nohilly, Council President Butler, Council Members Delia, Franks, DeSarno and Blasucci

Absent: Councilwoman Horowitz

Also Present: Borough Administrator/Clerk Lori Reibrich Farruggia, Borough Attorney Richard Shaklee and Borough Engineer Peter Avakian

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1. **PROPOSED LAND USE DEFINITION CHANGES:** Mayor Nohilly turned over the discussion to Borough Engineer, Peter Avakian.

Borough Engineer Avakian explained the land use review done by the Planning Board in the past and perhaps a disconnect on their role in the development of ordinances. After the receipt of the 2021 land use continuity report, the Council moved forward with three ordinances based off the report- House of Worship Zone, Cabana ordinance and regulations regarding accessory structures. These were three main ordinances the Mayor and Council determined were most important.

Borough Engineer Avakian presented a few definitions that could use minor modifications to the Land Development Ordinance.

The Mayor and Council discussed multiple changes. Garage definition changes that require garages to be accessible to motor vehicles via a parked driveway and be able to accommodate the storage of motor vehicles. Corner lot definition changes that makes the yards better defined. Half Story full definition change to better control the shape of additional stories on homes.

Half stories will be defined as attic space above the first or second story, which shall have a pitched roof to begin within 12 inches of the ceiling joist line of the story below. Finished attic space shall have a minimum vertical wall of five feet in a finished area, not to exceed 50% of the second story living space on a 2 ½ story structure.

Mechanical equipment had a small change made to indicate this type of equipment must be located in the rear yard.

After a brief discussion period, the consensus was to draw up these changes for ordinance introduction and Planning Board Master Plan consistency review. Borough Engineer Avakian said he would attend the next Planning Board to go over these changes as well as discuss any possible disconnect on the status of their Land Use consistency review.

2. **NEW BUSINESS:** Mayor Nohilly opened the floor for new business. Councilman Franks read a prepared statement indicating it was a rebuttal to a statement made by Mayor Nohilly at the previous Council Meeting. He indicated that he does not control his wife’s comments on social media, wanted to clear up some misconceptions about speed perception by a layperson and ticketing done by the Interlaken Police Department and stated that he was fact finding when he contacted the Police Chief. He stated that he will continue to be the eyes and ears of Interlaken if he observes violations. He hoped to clarify the statements made at the last meeting and wants everyone to let this go and continue to work together.
  
3. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** Mayor Nohilly opened the floor for public comment. He noted that no public was present and closed the floor.
  
4. **ADJOURNMENT:** Councilman Delia made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Franks and unanimously carried.

	Mayor Nohilly	Council President Butler	Councilwoman Horowitz	Councilman Delia	Councilman Franks	Councilman DeSarno	Councilman Blasucci
Motion to Approve				X			
Motion to Second					X		
Approved		X		X	X	X	X
Opposed							
Abstain/ Recuse							
Absent/ Excused			X				

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Lori Reibrich Farruggia, RMC/CMR  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator