

Arundel Planning Board Minutes

Site Walk

August 10, 2017 6:00 pm

496 Limerick Road

Board Attendees: Chip Bassett, Jamie Lowey, Marty Cain, Roger Morin, and Tad Redway, *Town Planner*

Public Attendees: Kristin Woodward, *applicant*

Call to Order: Chair Bassett called the meeting to order at 6:03 am.

I. Public Site Walk

Rontu's Run Dog Daycare: *Conditional Use Pre-Application:* Proposal to establish a Pet Day Care Center in an existing Riding Stable located at 496 Limerick Road, Tax Map 27 Lot 2, in the R1 District. Kristin Woodward is the owner and applicant.

The applicant conducted a tour of the premises designated for the proposed dog day care. The applicant already has purchased crates for the dogs and has made improvements to the ante room of the garage, measuring approximately 12' x 18', that will serve as the kennel floor and the indoor receiving area. One door leads to the parking area and the other leads to the designated outdoor play area. A small Monitor kerosene heater is located in the corner for cold season use.

In addition, the applicant proposes a 60' x 100' outdoor fenced pen on the north side of the kennel. The applicant has already installed the posts. The applicant disputed the need for an 8-foot high fence required by LUO section 9.3.33.3.i., and instead suggested that a coyote roll bar placed above the 6 foot high fence would suffice.

In addition, the applicant also disputed section 9.3.33.3.j which requires the outdoor fence must be solid and opaque in sections facing neighboring residential properties. Instead the applicant proposes to install cyclone fencing that permits proper air circulation, and privacy netting in areas facing adjacent residential properties. The Board notes the intent of opaque fencing was to prevent triggering of kenneled dogs by off-site activities, the Board requested samples of catalog cut sheet of the alternative screening.

Mr. Bassett asked if the applicant intended to improve the dimensions and surface condition of the access driveway to improve safety during winter weather and to provide adequate passing area for two cars passing each other.

The Board also asked the applicant if she had or was planning to obtain the Dog Trainer's Certification as specified in LUO section 9.3.33.3.d. The applicant stated she had a Horse Trainer's Certificate but neither she nor the morning staff of the proposed facility had a Dog Trainer's Certificate. The Board recommended that the applicant investigate what it will take to obtain such a certification.

Adjourn: *MOTION:* Mr. Morin moved and Mr. Cain seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 pm.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor.

I hereby attest the preceding is a true and accurate account of the Arundel Planning Board Site Walk of August 10, 2017.



Tad Redway

Secretary, Pro Temp