

**Borough of Caldwell
Planning Board
November 8, 2017
Minutes**

The Planning Board was called to order by Ms. Finnegan at 7:05PM in the Municipal Building, second floor Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL: Mr. McGowen, Councilman Hauser, Ms. Martin, Ms. Finnegan, Mayor Dassing and Mr. Byrne

PRESENT: Robert Cosgrove, esq.

ABSENT: Ms. Santiago and Mr. Mihalik
Alan Trembulak, esq.

ABSENT AT ROLL CALL: Mr. Gardner

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE: The statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act was read.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

7:06PM – Mr. Gardner arrived

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The public minutes of October 11, 2017 were approved.
Ms. Martin and Mr. Byrne abstained.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION:

Application P17-003, Ana R. Halliwell, 2 Park Avenue, Block 23, Lots 17.01. Minor Site Plan Approval for Parking.

Motion to approve Resolution P17-003, Ana R. Halliwell by Ms. Finnegan, seconded by Councilman Hauser.

Mr. McGowen	yes
Councilman Hauser	yes
Ms. Finnegan	yes
Mr. Gardner	yes
Mayor Dassing	yes

Approved 5-0

NEW BUSINESS:

Application P17-004, Sally Goodgold, 29 Roseland Avenue, Block 15, Lot 26. Minor Site Plan Approval (Parking).

Ms. Goodgold was sworn in as the applicant.

Ms. Goodgold gave a summation:

- She is opening an Art Studio at 29 Roseland Avenue.
- She is before the Board because there is no parking for this building.
- The name of her business is Artsy & Craftsy Creativity Lab.
- There will be workshops and events for Children of all ages and some for adults.
- She sees this as a Community where children can unplug from technology and create.

- Classes are all forms of painting, drawing, and sewing, fiber arts like felting, crocheting and sculpturing.
- Currently they are reaching out to the community for local artists that will teach classes and young women and men to assist in the class.
- They want this to be a place where the community feels welcome and place to let your creative side shine.
- Morning classes will be from 10:00am – 12:30pm for younger children who are not in school.
- Afternoon classes will be from around 3:00pm – 6:00pm and on weekends there would be special events throughout the day until around 5:00pm.
- The events will have about 20 children or less.
- She is not operating right now anywhere else. She was an art teacher.
- Right now the parking is at the Firehouse parking garage. There is some parking on Roseland Avenue further up and on Westville Avenue. Also, behind Stephanie's restaurant there is a municipal parking lot.
- This art studio will be more of a drop off except in the morning with the younger children. The most will be 10 to 12 children in the morning.

Ms. Finnegan asked if there was parking behind the building and Ms. Goodgold said that the landlord is the only one who uses it. The landlord owns and electric company and he park's his work vehicles in the back lot. That lot is not part of her lease.

- Classes for the younger children are about 45 minutes and the older children are an hour.

OPEN TO PUBLIC:

Ron Montefusco, 25 Roseland Avenue, spoke about Roseland Avenue and how dangerous it is on the west side. He also spoke about the parking issues.

Mr. Cosgrove went over Mr. England's report about the signage and any signage will need to comply with the Borough ordinance. Ms. Goodgold has provided in her testimony that her use will be a benefit to the community and there would not be any negative aspect. The negative is obviously the parking.

Motion to approve application P17-004, Sally Goodgold by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. McGowen.

Mr. McGowen	yes
Councilman Hauser	yes
Ms. Martin	yes
Ms. Finnegan	yes
Mr. Gardner	yes
Mayor Dassing	yes
Mr. Byrne	

Approved 7-0

Board members discussed parking issues in the Borough.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa O'Neill
 Planning Board Secretary