

**MINUTES
OF
THE NEWARK BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
SPECIAL HEARING
APRIL 3, 2014
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7PM**

CHAIRPERSON MARGARET EL CALLED TO ORDER THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT BY READING THE "OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT".

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS:

PRESENT

**Charles Auffant
Terence Baine
Osvaldo Geronimo
Anton L. Lendor
Pedro Massieu
Julius Montford
Rose Marie Ruivo
Malik Arbubakrr
Margaret J. El**

ALSO PRESENT

**Ade Afolabi, Zoning Officer
N'dela Costley, Acting Board Secretary
Walford Ennis, Recording Secretary
Angelo Cifelli, Board Attorney**

New Application:

6-14-A

Ward: Central

PREMISES:

Premises: 18-24 Prince Street, Block 235, Lot 48

APPLICANT:

Metropolitan Resurrection Community Development Corporation

TO PERMIT:

In the University Heights Redevelopment Plan Area, proposed establishment of an Aquaponics Training System including a fish hatchery, greenhouse and outdoor vegetable garden area. Fish Hatchery is prohibited under the University Heights Redevelopment Plan. Aquaponics Training Center is also prohibited in B3 Zone. **Seeking D Variance for Fish Hatchery and Aquaponics Training Center; C Variances for insufficient front yard, side yard and parking. Preliminary and Final Site Plan approval required. Formal Action will be taken. Commissioners Auffant and Lendor recused themselves. Ali Jaloudi, Rutgers Student Attorney, Annie Ciccone, Rutgers Student Attorney, Hubert Graham, Chairman of MRCDC, Wilson Woodridge, Architect, John Reid-Green, Expert in Sustainable Development and David Specca, Expert in Hydroponics and Sustainable Greenhouses appeared before the Board. There were fifteen objectors present. A motion was made by Commissioner Geronimo and seconded by Commissioner Montford to carry this application to the Regular Public Hearing scheduled for May 8, 2014. Motion carried 7-0.**

Adjournment

Next Regular Meeting: April 10, 2014