

PLANNING BOARD MINUTES - ORGANIZATION MEETING  
January 7, 2010 - 7:30 PM

1. Call to Order and Statement of Adequate Notice - Temporary Chairman

Mr. Lawrence read into record "Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by including same in the annual notice, copies of which were posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board on the main floor of the Municipal Building, mailed to The Bernardsville News and Courier-News and filed with the Municipal Clerk, all on January 3, 2010.

It is the intention of the Planning Board not to continue any matter past 11:00 PM at any regular or special meeting of the Bard unless a motion is passed by the members then present to extend the meeting to a later specified cut-off time and same shall be announced at the opening of the meeting.

In addition, the Board does not intend to begin a new hearing after 10:15 PM, not begin testimony of a new witness after 10:30 PM.

2. Oaths of Office and Terms of Office.

Alice Rochat, Class II [HPAC], 1 year. term

Charlotte Foster, Class III [Council Member] 1 year term

Terry Thompson, Class IV, remainder of Alice Rochat's term, thru 12/2012

Donald Knudsen, Class IV, 4 yr term: 1/2010-12/2013

[Amendment approved a the January 21, 2010 meeting]

Mr. Hoffman attended to the administration of the Oaths of Office.

3. Roll Call

Members present: Ms. Rochat, Mr. Knudsen, Mr. Lawrence, Ms. Foster, Ms. Thompson and Ms. Paluck

Members absent: Mr. Simoff, Ms. Totten and Mr. Graham

Professionals Present: Board Attorney, Mr. Hoffman; Board Engineer, Mr. Brightly and Administrative Officer Mr. Mondok.

Professionals Absent: Mr. Zimmerman

4. Election of Officers: Chairman

Ms. Thompson nominated Mr. Lawrence to serve as Chairman.

Seconded by Ms. Paluck

No other nominations were offered. Nominations were closed.

Voice Vote to approve Mr. Lawrence to serve as Chairman: All members present voted in the affirmative.

Vice Chairman

Mr. Knudsen nominated Mr. Graham to serve as Vice Chairman

Seconded by Ms. Foster

No other nominations were offered. Nominations were closed.

Voice Vote to approve Mr. Graham to serve as Vice Chairman: All members present voted in the affirmative.

Secretary

Ms. Thompson nominated Mr. Mondok to serve as Secretary.

Seconded by Ms. Paluck.

No other nomination were offered. Nominations were closed.

Voice Vote to approve Mr. Mondok to serve as Secretary: All members present voted in the affirmative.

5. Appointments: Recording Secretary

Motion to appoint Teresa Lyons to serve as Recording Secretary: Ms. Foster

Second: Ms. Thompson

Voice Vote: All members present voted in the affirmative.

6. Resolution #2010-1, Re-Adoption of By-Laws, as last revised January 4, 2007. Prior to voting, Mr. Knudsen suggested an amendment to Section 7.2 that it include the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee. Membership concurred.

Motion to adopt the By-Laws as amended: Mr. Knudsen

Second: Ms. Thompson

Voice Vote: All members present voted in the affirmative.

7. Resolutions and draft Contracts: #2010-2 Attorney  
#2010-3 Planning Consultant  
#2010-4 Engineering Consultant  
#2010-9 Traffic Consultant

Motion to adopt Resolutions 2010-2, 2010-3, 2010-4 and 2010-0: Ms. Thompson

Second: Ms. Foster

Roll Call:

Aye: Ms. Rochat, Mr. Knudsen, Ms. Foster, Ms. Thompson, Ms. Paluck and Mr. Lawrence

Nay: None

8. Resolution #2010-5, Schedule of Meetings for 2010.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2010-5 as amended including meeting dates for October through December: Mr. Knudsen

Second: Ms. Thompson

Roll Call:

Aye: Ms. Rochat, Mr. Knudsen, Ms. Foster, Ms. Thompson, Ms. Paluck and Mr. Lawrence

Nay: None

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9. Resolution #2010-6, Planning Board Budget Request.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2010-6: Ms. Foster

Second: Mr. Knudsen

Roll Call:

Aye: Ms. Rochat, Mr. Knudsen, Ms. Foster, Ms. Thompson, Ms. Paluck and Mr. Lawrence

Nay: None

10. Resolution #2010-7, Administrative Officer

11. Resolution #2010-8, Official Newspapers

Motion to adopt Resolutions 2010-7 and 2010-8: Ms. Thompson

Second: Ms. Rochat

Roll Call:

Aye: Ms. Rochat, Mr. Knudsen, Ms. Foster, Ms. Thompson, Ms. Paluck and Mr. Lawrence

Nay: None

12. Committee Assignments:

A. Subdivision & Site Plan Review Committee [2009 Assignments were:  
Dorothy Paluck, Chair; Alice Rochat; Hal Simoff; Jacqueline Totten.]

B. Evaluation Committee [2009 Assignments were: Terry Thompson, Chair;  
Charlotte Foster; Donald Knudsen]

(Robert Graham and Craig Lawrence were not assigned to specific committee in 2009.)

Board consensus was to have Committee assignment remain the same for 2010.

13. Approval of Minutes: December 17, 2009

Motion to approve Minutes: Mr. Knudsen

Second: Ms. Foster

Voice Vote: All members present voted in the affirmative.

14. Pending Applications / Hearings:

A. Consider amending condition of Nov. 19, 2009 resolution: Somerset Hills Board  
of Education, High School, Olcott Ave.; Block 64, Lot 1. Site Plan Appl. #SP-210,  
Proposed Parking Lot/Access Drive Improvements; landscaping; etc.

The time is 7:55 PM

After some discussion, the Board agreed to insert the words "use of" on page2 Condition  
3[b][i] of the Resolution, as it was in the original condition.

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Mr. Hoffman noted that because Mr. Knudsen voted against the original Resolution, he cannot vote this evening.

Motion to adopt as amended: Ms. Thompson

Second: Ms. Foster

Roll Call of those eligible voting members:

Aye: Ms. Thompson, Ms. Foster and Mr. Lawrence

Nay: None

The time is 8:10 PM

15. Payment of Vouchers/Dues (Bill list to be distributed at meeting, if needed).  
No vouchers to approve this evening.

16. New Business  
Nothing to report.

17. Business of Visitors  
Mr. Dan Lincoln, 28 Olcott Avenue questioned who will enforce tonight's Somerset Hills Board of Education Resolution? Mr. Hoffman responded per MLUL it is the Governing Body, who has delegated this responsibility to Mr. Mondok.

18. Executive Session, If Necessary - Personnel matters and/or Litigation. The time and circumstances under which the subject matter can be made available to the public is when the matter is finally resolved.  
No Executive Session this evening.

19. Adjournment:  
Time is 8:15 PM  
Motion to adjourn: Mr. Knudsen  
Second: Ms. Paluck  
Voice Vote: All members present voted in the affirmative.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Lyons, Recording Secretary

Minutes approved January 21, 2010

Work Meeting tentatively scheduled to follow organization meeting: