

**Stillwater Township Planning Board  
Minutes of  
May 18, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Stillwater Township Planning Board was held in the Municipal Building, Middletown, New Jersey and was called to order by Vice Chairwoman Feenstra at 7:30 p.m. She led the Board in the flag salute and she announced that adequate notice of this meeting had been given to the public and the press under the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act", N.J.S.A. 10:4-1 et seq.

**Members Present:** Mr. Branagan  
Ms. English  
Ms. Fisher  
Ms. Feenstra  
Mr. Morrison  
Mr. Donofrio  
Mr. Scott  
Mr. Nothstine, Alt#1  
William Haggerty, Esq.  
Joseph Golden, P.E.

**Members Excused:** Mr. Emmons  
Mr. Lockwood

**MINUTES:**

Ms. Fisher made the motion to approve the minutes of April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Motion seconded by Mr. Donofrio. Discussion on the motion: Mr. Branagan noted a minor correction. Roll call vote:

Mr. Branagan-Yes	Mr. Morrison-Yes
Ms. Feenstra-Yes	Ms. English-Yes
Ms. Fisher-Yes	Mr. Donofrio-Yes
Mr. Nothstine-Abstain	Mr. Scott-Abstain

**PUBLIC SESSION**

The meeting was opened to the public at 7:33 pm. With there being no public comment, the meeting was closed to the public.

**BILLS**

	<b>NJ Herald</b>	
	Re: General	\$54.70
	<b>Dolan &amp; Dolan</b>	
4-29-11	Re: Schmall	274.50
4-29-11	Re: Camp Nejeda	75.00
4-29-11	Re: General	287.65

Mr. Scott made the motion to approve the vouchers, funds permitted. Motion seconded by Ms. Fisher. Roll call vote:

Mr. Branagan-Yes	Mr. Morrison-Yes
Ms. Feenstra-Yes	Ms. English-Yes
Ms. Fisher-Yes	Mr. Donofrio-Yes
Mr. Nothstine-Yes	Mr. Scott-Yes

**MEMORIALIZING RESOLUTIONS:**

**10-01 Edwin Schmall, Block 1101, Lots 29, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28 known as 29  
Thomas & Darlene Rodriquez, Block 1001, Lots 17, 18.01, & 19**

Mr. Donofrio made the motion to adopt the Resolution. Motion seconded by Ms. Fisher. Roll call vote:

Mr. Branagan-Yes	Mr. Morrison-Yes
Ms. Feenstra-Yes	Ms. English-Yes
Ms. Fisher-Yes	Mr. Donofrio-Yes
Mr. Nothstine-Abstain	Mr. Scott-Abstain

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS:**

**#11-01 Gary Fischer, Block 2701, Lots 14.01 & 14.07**

Attorney Haggerty and Board Engineer Golden reviewed Board Engineer Golden’s May 5<sup>th</sup> Completeness Report and the Board discussed the options with the Applicant Mr. Fisher and his son. It was agreed to hear both completeness and a hearing at the next Board Meeting, as long as the application is complete.

Mr. Scott made the motion to deem the application incomplete as per Board Engineer Golden’s May 5<sup>th</sup> report. Motion seconded by Ms. Fisher. Roll call vote:

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|-------------------|------------------|
| Mr. Branagan-Yes  | Mr. Morrison-Yes |
| Ms. Feenstra-Yes  | Ms. English-Yes  |
| Ms. Fisher-Yes    | Mr. Donofrio-Yes |
| Mr. Nothstine-Yes | Mr. Scott-Yes    |

**Accessory Structures-Ordinance Recommendation**

The Board reviewed the proposed Ordinance in regards to Accessory Structures. Board Engineer Golden questioned whether cupolas would be permitted, which was discussed with the Board. Attorney Haggerty reviewed possible modifications to the proposed Ordinance, which address cupolas. The Board discussed whether the suggested modifications would be considered a major change.

Mr. Donofrio made the motion to favorably recommend to the Governing Body, the adoption of the Ordinance, as modified this evening. Motion seconded by Ms. Fisher. Roll call vote:

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| Mr. Branagan-Yes  | Mr. Morrison-Yes |
| Ms. Feenstra-Yes  | Ms. English-Yes  |
| Ms. Fisher-Yes    | Mr. Donofrio-Yes |
| Mr. Nothstine-Yes | Mr. Scott-Yes    |

**Government Owned Lands**

The Board discussed the process to adopt a Government Owned Lands Ordinance and it was suggested that the Board consider working on this Ordinance in conjunction with a Master Plan revision. Board Engineer Golden had some suggested modifications. The Board agreed to place this back on the agenda for next month.

**Outdoor Wood Burning Furnaces**

Mr. Branagan reviewed the latest draft Ordinance which was discussed with the Board and several modifications were suggested. Mr. Branagan stated that he will revise the draft and distribute it again.

**Commercial Zoning**

This matter was deferred until next month.

**Solar Ordinance**

This matter was deferred until next month.

**Use of Property**

This matter was deferred until next month.

**Wind Turbines**

Mr. Branagan stated that he will try and provide the Board with some information pertaining to Horizontal Turbines.

**Liaison Updates-Committee, Mayor, Board of Adjustment, and Environmental Commission**

Mayor Scott and Mr. Morrison stated that the Budget passed with a minimal increase. Mr. Branagan, Environmental Liaison, stated that he was not at the last Environmental Meeting; however, he knows that a joint meeting is scheduled in Blairstown to discuss the Paulinskill River. He also thanked the Township for voicing their displeasure in regards to gas drilling.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

The meeting was opened to the public at 8:35 p.m. With there being no public comment, the meeting was closed to the public.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With there being no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. In a voice vote, all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Alfia Schemm  
Board Secretary