

Stillwater Township Planning Board
Minutes of
November 16, 2016

The regular meeting of the Stillwater Township Planning Board was held in the Municipal Building, Middleville, New Jersey. Chairwoman Puccio called the meeting to order at 7:52 p.m. She led the Board in the flag salute and 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. Donofrio
Ms. Chammings
Mr. van der Haeghen
Ms. Puccio
Mr. Branagan

Members Excused: Ms. Fisher
Mr. Scott

MINUTES:

Mr. Donofrio made the motion to approve the minutes of October 19, 2016. Motion seconded by Ms. Chammings. Discussion on the motion: Mr. Branagan questioned the Flag at Veterans Park. Roll call vote to adopt the minutes:

Ms. Chammings-Yes Mr. Branagan-Abstain
Mr. Donofrio-Yes Mr. van der Haeghen-Yes
Ms. Puccio-Yes

PUBLIC SESSION

Chairwoman Puccio opened the meeting up to the public. With there being no public comment, the meeting was closed to the public.

BILLS:

Dolan & Dolan

Re: General	\$131.10
Re: Hryhor	\$ 41.00
Re: Schmidt	\$ 41.00

Mr. van der Haeghen made the motion to approve the bills, funds permitting. Motion seconded by Mr. Branagan. Roll call vote:

Ms. Chammings-Yes Mr. Branagan-Yes
Mr. Donofrio-Yes Mr. van der Haeghen-Yes
Ms. Puccio-Yes

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

#16-002 Noelle Schmidt Block 3303, Lot 2.03-Site Plan Waiver

The Board discussed the status of the affidavit that was requested. Board Secretary Schemm stated that it was requested and she was advised by Ms. Schmidt that she was working on it. It was agreed to take no action at this time.

Lakefront Property Regulations

The Zoning Board of Adjustment's recommendation was distributed and the Board agreed that they would review the matter in the beginning of 2017.

Accessory Apartments-Conditional Use

The present Ordinance was distributed. The Board agreed to review the matter in the beginning of 2017.

Affordable Housing

Ms. Chammings stated that the matter continues to move forward.

Fees and Escrow Schedule

Board Secretary Schemm stated that she distributed her recommendations to Board Attorney Morgenstern and Board Engineer Golden. Board Engineer Golden did provide some input, which she would like to review. The Board agreed to discuss the matter in the beginning of 2017.

Barns/Family Farms/Commercial Farms

Matter Deferred.

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

Mr. Branagan provided his Environmental Commission update: he stated that the Commission nominated Nathaniel Sajdak for the Governors Environmental Excellence Award; the budget worksheet was submitted; they are working on an Informational Board for the recycling center and a repurposing sign for the recycling shed; the fall water testing done at 10 different sites; damage being done by the Ash Boring Beetle; and the planned removal of the Columbia Dam.

Ms. Chamings updated the Board on the matters discussed at the Township Committee meeting: the resignation of the Electrical Sub Code Official; the appointment of Eric van der Haeghen to the Zoning Board of Adjustment; the "Don't Tread on Me" flag; small lots; tax sale; speed limits; the wall on Route 521 being addressed by the County; the Township parking lot; and millings that were deposited in various residential locations.

Board Secretary Schemm updated the Board on the application before the Zoning Board of Adjustment for the General Store.

The Board then discussed the status of the Restaurant opening.

The Board reviewed the letter from Board Attorney Morgenstern advising that he would not be applying for reappointment as the Board Attorney. After a brief discussion, it was agreed to request RFPs and to ask if Mr. Haggerty would be willing to represent the Board for the first 3 months of 2017. Board Secretary Schemm stated that the Zoning Board of Adjustment will also have to discuss the matter at their meeting on the 28th and they may choose to do the same thing.

ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further business, there was a motion made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. In a voice vote, all were in favor at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Alfia Schemm
Board Secretary
12/15/16