

Stillwater Township Planning Board
Minutes of
January 16, 2019

The reorganization and regular meeting of the Stillwater Township Planning Board was held in the Municipal Building, Middleville, New Jersey and was called to order by Alfia Schemm at 7:31 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. Attorney Haggerty administered the oaths of office prior to the meeting. .

Members Present: Mr. Donofrio
Ms. Chammings
Mr. Branagan
Ms. Puccio
Mr. Morrison
Mr. Pierce
Mr. Barta

Absent: Mr. van der Haeghen

Also Present: Attorney Haggerty
Engineer Golden

REORGANIZATION

Election of Chairman

Secretary Schemm called for a nomination for Chairman. Mr. Donofrio made the motion to nominate Ms. Puccio as Chairman. Motion seconded by Mr. Morrison. Secretary Schemm asked if there were any other nominations. With there being no further nominations, the nominations were closed. Roll call vote:

Mr. Morrison-Yes	Ms. Chammings-Yes
Mr. Donofrio-Yes	Mr. Pierce-Yes
Mr. Branagan-Yes	Mr. Barta-Yes
Ms. Puccio-Yes	

Election of Vice-Chairman:

Chairwoman Puccio called for a nomination for Vice Chairman. Mayor Chammings made the motion to nominate Mr. Donofrio. Motion seconded by Mr. Branagan. Mr. Donofrio made the motion to nominate Mr. Pierce. Motion seconded by Chairwoman Puccio. With there being no other nomination, a paper ballot was taken and Mr. Donofrio was elected as Vice-Chairman.

Appointment of Board Professionals:

Mr. Morrison made the motion to appoint William Haggerty as the Board Attorney for 2019. Motion seconded by Mr. Donofrio. Roll call vote:

Mr. Morrison-Yes	Ms. Chammings-Yes
Mr. Donofrio-Yes	Mr. Pierce-Yes
Mr. Branagan-Yes	Mr. Barta-Yes
Ms. Puccio-Yes	

Mr. Branagan made the motion to appoint Joseph Golden as the Board Engineer for 2019. Motion seconded by Mr. Pierce. Roll call vote:

Mr. Morrison-Yes	Ms. Chammings-Yes
Mr. Donofrio-Yes	Mr. Pierce-Yes
Mr. Branagan-Yes	Mr. Barta-Yes
Ms. Puccio-Yes	

Appointment of Board Secretary:

Mayor Chammings made the motion to appoint Alfia Schemm as the Board Secretary. Motion seconded by Chairwoman Puccio. Roll call vote:

Mr. Morrison-Yes	Ms. Chammings-Yes
Mr. Donofrio-Yes	Mr. Pierce-Yes
Mr. Branagan-Yes	Mr. Barta-Yes
Ms. Puccio-Yes	

Designation of Meeting Date, Time and Place

Mr. Pierce made the motion to designate the 3rd Wednesday of the month as the Regular Agenda Meeting, at 7:30 p.m., at the Stillwater Township Municipal Building. Motion seconded by Mr. Donofrio. Roll call vote:

- Mr. Morrison-Yes
- Mr. Donofrio-Yes
- Mr. Branagan-Yes
- Ms. Puccio-Yes
- Ms. Chammings-Yes
- Mr. Pierce-Yes
- Mr. Barta-Yes

Designation of Official Newspapers:

Mr. Morrison made the motion to designate the NJ HERALD and the SUNDAY NJ HERALD as the Official Newspapers. Motion seconded by Mr. Branagan. Roll call vote:

- Mr. Morrison-Yes
- Mr. Donofrio-Yes
- Mr. Branagan-Yes
- Ms. Puccio-Yes
- Ms. Chammings-Yes
- Mr. Pierce-Yes
- Mr. Barta-Yes

MINUTES:

Mr. Donofrio made the motion to approve the minutes of October 17, 2018. Motion seconded by Mr. Barta. Roll call vote:

- Mr. Morrison-Yes
- Mr. Donofrio-Yes
- Mr. Branagan-Abstain
- Ms. Puccio-Yes
- Ms. Chammings-Yes
- Mr. Pierce-Yes
- Mr. Barta-Yes

PUBLIC SESSION

Chairwoman Puccio opened the meeting up to the public.

Steve and Danya Stark were present and it was noted that Mr. Stark might be interested in a position on the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Board Secretary Schemm noted that the ZBOA will have a meeting at the end of the month as they have three applications.

With there being no further public comment, the meeting was closed to the public.

BILLS:

	Dolan & Dolan	
Re: Tuohy/General		\$ 48.00
Re: General		\$416.00
Re: General		\$408.70
	NJPO	
Re: Dues		\$185.00

Mr. Branagan made the motion to approve the bills, funds permitting. Motion seconded by Mr. Pierce. Discussion on the motion: The Board discussed that the Tuohy bill will be charged to General as the charges pertain to the milling discussion. Mr. Branagan also questioned the tree cutting that was done on the Tuohy property. It was agreed to discuss that matter under Old Business. Roll call vote:

- Mr. Morrison-Yes
- Mr. Donofrio-Yes
- Mr. Branagan-Yes
- Ms. Puccio-Yes
- Ms. Chammings-Yes
- Mr. Pierce-Yes
- Mr. Barta-Yes

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Recommendations to Revisions to the Recreation-Open Space/Master Plan

Mayor Chammings stated that she does not have any information on this matter at this time.

ECHO

The Lafayette ECHO Ordinance was distributed. Board Secretary Schemm stated that she had already distributed the Liberty and White Township ECHO Ordinances. She stated that she will redistribute the Lafayette Ordinance as it is set up on legal paper format. The Board discussed septic system issues. Board Engineer Golden stated that he will look into the septic matter and report back to the Board.

Barns/Family Farms/Commercial Farms

Deferred

Other

Mr. Branagan stated his concern with the tree removal on the Tuohy property. Mayor Chamblings stated that there were some medical issues and the Board discussed whether a SCSCD plan was approved or if a Township tree removal permit was issued.

The Board then discussed the Soil Importation that is happening in several Municipalities and millings.

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

Mayor Chamblings reviewed: the Reorganization and Budget Meetings, the purchase of equipment, drainage, and the high water table.

Board Secretary Schemm stated that the Zoning Board of Adjustment has received several applications and they will meet at the end of the month.

Mr. Branagan provided the Environmental Commission update: status of the vernal ponds, their Reorganization Meeting and their Annual Report, waiting for results on the 10 water testing sites, the signage at Veterans Memorial Park, the Spotted Lantern Fly, the collection of plastic bags, and the emerald ash borer.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

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

Chairwoman Puccio announced that due to the Government Shutdown February Food Stamp Benefits are being distributed early.

Mayor Chamblings noted that Valnetta Sorensen recently passed away and Emil Sorensen passed away earlier in 2018.

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 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Alfia Schemm
Board Secretary
4/10/18