

REORGANIZATION MEETING OF JANUARY 12, 2015

The reorganization meeting of the Fair Lawn Planning Board on Monday, January 12, 2015 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Cathy Hochkeppel in Room 201 of the Fair Lawn Municipal Building.

The notice of the Open Public Meetings Law was read stating that the newspapers were notified and a notice posted on the first floor bulletin board of the Fair Lawn Municipal Building.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor John Cosgrove, Brent Pohlman, Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, Peter Kortright, III, Larry Metzger, Joan Fragala, Oliver Wilhelm, Joseph Mele, Amy Hummerstone, Daniel Furphy, James Hughes

Also present: Attorney Thomas Randall, Engineer Jeffrey Morris, Cathy Hochkeppel

Swearing in of Reappointed Members

Board Attorney Thomas Randall swore in Mayor Cosgrove as the Class I member. Mayor John Cosgrove swore in James Hughes, Peter Kortright, Deputy Mayor Amy Lefkowitz, and Daniel Furphy.

Mayor Cosgrove thanked all of the members for their dedication and hard work.

Election of Chairman

Cathy Hochkeppel opened the time for nominations for Chairman. Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz nominated Brent Pohlman and Larry Metzger seconded the motion. There were no other nominations and the time for nominations was closed. Chairman Brent Pohlman was elected unanimously. AYES: Mayor John Cosgrove, Joan Fragala, Brent Pohlman, Peter Kortright III, Larry Metzger, Deputy Mayor Amy Lefkowitz, Amy Hummerstone, Joseph Mele, Oliver Wilhelm

Chairman Pohlman assumed the chair.

Election of Vice-Chairman

Brent Pohlman opened the time for nominations for Vice-Chairman. James Hughes nominated Joseph Mele for Vice-Chairman and Joan Fragala seconded the motion. There were no other nominations and the time for nominations was closed. AYES: Mayor John Cosgrove, Joan Fragala, Brent Pohlman, Peter Kortright III, Larry Metzger, Deputy Mayor Amy Lefkowitz, Amy Hummerstone, Joseph Mele, Oliver Wilhelm

Election of Secretary

Upon motion by Larry Metzger and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, Cathryn Hochkeppel was unanimously selected as Secretary. AYES: Mayor John Cosgrove, Joan Fragala, Brent Pohlman, Peter Kortright, III, Larry Metzger, Amy Hummerstone, Deputy Mayor Amy Lefkowitz, Joseph Mele and Oliver Wilhelm

Appointment of Attorney, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44 A-20.8

Upon motion by Joseph Mele and a second by Joan Fragala, Thomas Randall was unanimously appointed Board Attorney. AYES: Mayor John Cosgrove, Joan Fragala, Brent Pohlman, Peter Kortright, III, Larry Metzger, Amy Hummerstone, Deputy Mayor Amy Lefkowitz, Joseph Mele and Oliver Wilhelm

Appointment of Engineer, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44 A-20.8

Upon motion by Peter Kortright and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, Jeffrey Morris of Boswell Engineering was unanimously appointed Board Engineer. AYES: Mayor John Cosgrove, Joan Fragala, Brent Pohlman, Peter Kortright, III, Larry Metzger, Amy Hummerstone, Deputy Mayor Amy Lefkowitz, Joseph Mele and Oliver Wilhelm

Appointment of Court Reporter, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44 A-20.8

Upon motion by Joan Fragala and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, Laura Carucci, CSR, was unanimously appointed as Court Reporter. AYES: Chairman Brent Pohlman, Daniel Furphy, Oliver Wilhelm, Joan Fragala, Peter Kortright III, Larry Metzger, Amy Lefkowitz, Amy Hummerstone, and Joseph Mele

Discussion of Planner

It was noted that Cheryl Bergailo was no longer available as a planner since she now works for Public Service. There was discussion whether the Board should issue their own RFQ or review resumes received by the Council and by the Zoning Board. It was the consensus of the Board to issue its own RFQ. It was also the consensus of the Board to use Boswell Engineering as its planner until the RFQs are reviewed and a planner appointed. Upon motion by Joseph Mele and a second by James Hughes, Boswell engineering was appointed as interim planner.

Authorization for RFQ

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz and a second by Peter Kortright, the attached authorizing resolution was unanimously adopted. AYES: Mayor John Cosgrove, Joan Fragala, Brent Pohlman, Peter Kortright III, Larry Metzger, Deputy Mayor Amy Lefkowitz, Amy Hummerstone, Joseph Mele, Oliver Wilhelm

Implementation of Master Plan

Chairman Pohlman noted that in the process of reviewing the master plan, it became obvious that many of the recommendations in the old master plan were never implemented by ordinance. In order to assist and make recommendations to the Council, a subcommittee will be formed to review the newly adopted master plan and make recommendations for ordinance changes that execute the plan. It was decided that Amy Hummerstone, Oliver Wilhelm, Peter Kortright and Joseph Mele would form the subcommittee with Joseph Mele as its chair. Ms. Hochkeppel noted that recommendations do not have to be made all at once and the less complicated matters should be addressed first.

Approval of minutes

Upon motion by Joan Fragala and a second by Joseph Mele, the minutes of the regular meeting of November 3, 2014 were unanimously approved. AYES: Deputy Mayor Amy Lefkowitz, Larry Metzger, Amy Hummerstone, Oliver Wilhelm, Daniel Furphy, Joan Fragala, Peter Kortright, Chairman Pohlman Abstain: Joseph Mele

Approval of escrow bills

Cathryn Hochkeppel read the escrow bills (attached). Upon motion by Joan Fragala and a second by Joseph Mele, the escrow bills were unanimously approved. AYES: Deputy Mayor Amy Lefkowitz, Joseph Mele, Larry Metzger, Amy Hummerstone, Oliver Wilhelm, Daniel Furphy, Joan Fragala, Peter Kortright, Chairman Pohlman

Memorializing resolution

Rasem Saadah; 1 Wilcox Place; Block 1211, Lot 15.01; minor subdivision

Upon motion by Peter Kortright and a second by Joan Fragala, the memorializing resolution was unanimously approved. AYES: Deputy Mayor Amy Lefkowitz, Oliver Wilhelm, Amy Hummerstone, Larry Metzger, Peter Kortright, III, Daniel Furphy, Vice-Chairman Joseph Mele, Chairman Brent Pohlman, Joan Fragala

Adjournment

Upon motion by Joan Fragala and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathryn Hochkeppel
Secretary of the Planning Board