

MINUTES

7:30 PM

PRESENT: T. Ciacciarelli
R. Dodds
J. Mathieu
E. Niemann
L. Riggio
J. Strasser
M. Syrnick
C. Ely, Alt #2

ABSENT: P. Lubitz
S. McNicol
L. Voronin, Alt #1

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 PM by Secretary D. Laudenbach.

NOTIFICATION

In order to ensure full public participation at this meeting, all members of this Board, and members of the public are requested to speak only when recognized by the Chair so that there is no simultaneous discussion or over-talk, and further, all persons are requested to utilize the microphones which are provided for your use by the Township. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Notification of the time, date and place of this meeting has been published in the Hunterdon County Democrat and Courier News, and has been posted in the Kingwood Township Municipal Building at least 48 hours prior to this meeting and has been filed with the Municipal Clerk.

NEW AND PENDING MATTERS

Re-Organization:

Nomination of Chairperson

M. Syrnick was nominated as Chairperson for 2015 by E. Niemann, seconded by J. Strasser.

It was moved by R. Dodds, seconded by E. Niemann and carried to close the nomination.

All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

Nomination of Vice Chairperson

E. Niemann was nominated as Vice-Chairperson for 2015 by M. Syrnick, seconded by R. Dodds.

It was moved by R. Dodds, seconded by L. Riggio and carried to close the nominations.

All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

Appointment of Attorney

It was moved by J. Mathieu, seconded by E. Niemann and carried to appoint David R. Pierce of Lindabury, McCormick and Estabrook as attorney for 2015.

All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

Appointment of Engineer

It was moved by E. Niemann, seconded by J. Strasser and carried to appoint Thomas E. Decker of Van Cleef Engineering as engineer for 2015.

All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

Appointment of Planner

It was moved by J. Mathieu, seconded by T. Ciacciarelli and carried to appoint David E. Banisch of Banisch & Associates as Planner for 2015.

All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

Approval of Meeting Dates:

February 12, 2015	July 9, 2015
March 12, 2015	August 13, 2015
April 9, 2015	September 10, 2015
May 14, 2015	October 8, 2015
June 11, 2015	November 12, 2015
	December 10, 2015

It was moved by R. Dodds, seconded by L. Riggio and carried to approve the above dates for the Planning Board meetings for 2015 beginning at 7:30 PM.

All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

Designation of Newspaper (Hunterdon County Democrat/Courier News)

It was moved by J. Mathieu, seconded by R. Dodds and carried to designate the Hunterdon County Democrat as the official newspaper, with the Courier News as alternate.

All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

Proposed Ordinance No. 18-01-2015

M. Surnick stated the proposed ordinance changes the setback requirements from half of the depth of the lot to 300' or half the depth of the lot, whichever is less, in the Route 12 Scenic Corridor area.

R. Dodds stated the reason for the amendment is an evaluation of one of the lots along the Route 12 Corridor would have resulted in 36 acres of that particular lot being unusable.

D. Pierce stated once the Township Committee introduces and adopts an ordinance on first reading, it is referred to the Planning Board for a recommendation to be adopted, adopted with changes or not be adopted.

It was moved by E. Niemann, seconded by J. Mathieu and carried to recommend adoption of Proposed Ordinance No. 18-01-2015 to the Township Committee.

All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

Extension of Time to File for Block 9, Lot 13

It was moved by J. Mathieu, seconded by R. Dodds and carried to grant a 90 day extension of time to file the deeds in the boundary line adjustment for Block 9, Lot 13.

All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by R. Dodds, seconded by J. Mathieu and carried to approve the minutes of December 11, 2014 and place on file with the following correction made by E. Niemann:

Under privilege of the floor – E. Niemann stated a draft of the planning proposal for the Route 12 Corridor has been prepared and it has been provided to ~~NJCPA~~ Together North Jersey for a response.

All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**, except J. Strasser and C. Ely, who **ABSTAINED**.

2015 Budget Request

It was moved by J. Mathieu, seconded by E. Niemann and carried to request \$25,000 for the Planning Board Other Expense budget for 2015.

All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**, except R. Dodds, who **ABSTAINED**.

APPLICATION STATUS

CORRESPONDENCE

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

R. Dodds congratulated M. Surnick on her nomination as Chairperson for 2015.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by E. Niemann, seconded by R. Dodds and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 PM. All members present voted **AYE**.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Laudenbach, Secretary