

**MINUTES**

**7:30 PM**

**PRESENT:** R. Dodds  
D. Haywood  
J. Mathieu  
S. McNicol  
L. Riggio  
J. Strasser  
M. Syrnick  
L. Voronin, Alt #1 (7:35 PM)  
C. Ely, Alt #2  
B. Width, Attorney

**ABSENT:** T. Ciacciarelli

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 PM by M. Syrnick.

**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**

Block 17, Lot 8 – Accurate Waste – Route 12 – Determination of Completeness

It was moved by R. Dodds, seconded by J. Mathieu and carried to table the matter until October 13, 2016. All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**, except L. Voronin, who **ABSTAINED**.

Hunterdon County Division of GIS

R. Dodds stated the County did a survey to see if it was financially feasible for them to assist municipalities to do their tax maps. There weren't enough municipalities that were interested. The County was looking for 100% participation and only seven were interested. The County is requesting the municipalities adopt the County's standard for drawings that are provided with an application. Since the majority of the applications

have an engineer prepare the drawings, there shouldn't be any additional cost to the applicant. Most of the drawings are already done in Automated Computer Aided Drafting (AutoCAD). If the Township decides to require the applicant to submit their drawings in an AutoCAD format, the County would then be able to import the data and add it to the parcel file. It would result in the tax map being updated more quickly. R. Dodds stated he has spoken to T. Decker and T. Decker stated that the Township's map is not done in AutoCAD. It is a base that was done from an image and then added to using AutoCAD. The Township may want to look at what it would take to bring up the tax map to the current standards so that T. Decker's work would be significantly less when the tax map is updated. The updating should be a fraction of the current price to update it. He stated between now and next meeting he will get the state's specifications of what they require. The Planning Board can then recommend to the Township Committee to introduce an ordinance to add to the checklist the requirement of submission of the plat in an AutoCAD format. The requirement would be a set of standards rather than it being proprietary.

The matter will be placed on the October agenda with R. Dodds providing additional information on the requirements.

### **Open Space Coordinator – Amend Township's Comprehensive Preserved Farmland, Targeted Farms and Project Area Map**

After some discussion, it was decided to notify D. Banisch of the need for an update when the Township does its next re-examination report. Also discussed was that there were several elements that still needed to be completed by the Township.

### **Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by R. Dodds, seconded by C. Ely and carried to approve the minutes of August 11, 2016. All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**, except J. Mathieu and L. Riggio, who **ABSTAINED**.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

M. Syrnick reviewed as per the agenda.

ANJEC's – 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Environmental Congress;  
NJ Planner – July/August 2016.

### **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

S. McNicol commented on the article in last month's NJ Planner that Branchburg's Master Plan was not in conformance with the County and State plans. She read from the article in the NJ Planner. She inquired if the Township could run into the same problem with its Master Plan not conforming to the County and State plans for the Township. She inquired if there is a specific law that addresses if a development conflicts with the general welfare of adjoining municipalities. Sustainable Aquaculture (SA) could impact our municipality.

M. Syrnick stated D. Pierce has a whole laundry list of questions. SA gave the Township the option of them posting escrow monies in case they damage anything. This is not acceptable as they did not adhere to Franklin Township's well ordinance. She stated SA suggested they would drill wells deeper. It is a moot point since

they are in violation of Franklin's ordinances. D. Pierce is working with the attorney and has received everyone's input.

D. Haywood stated she would like to know that Franklin Township's Land Use Board is on top of this and making sure that their ordinances have been followed. Kingwood should not have to police the applicant's compliance with Franklin's ordinances. At the last meeting, SA attorney questioned their hydrogeologist but when D. Pierce was ready to do a cross-examination, it was 10:00 PM and their policy is to permit no new business after 10:00 PM.

M. Syrnick stated the Township was not noticed properly. DEP issued a public comment period where the Township should have commented and the Township missed that comment period. The SA project will impact us highly. The Township determined that they were not notified about the hearings and the applicant did not comply with Franklin's well ordinance requirements. The application should not impact a neighboring municipality or affect their master plan. They informed an adjoining property owner that SA did not have to monitor their well. Their report contains conflicting information. Their test wells are on separate fractures. The applicant did a calculation for the recharge available and rather than using their 40 acres, they used a recharge area of 17 square miles. The Township was represented at the last meeting and there were a lot of questions and SA offered us a deal. The property is close to MEL and the location is close to the potential Gateway Village. Kingwood is in a holding pattern until Franklin has another meeting with SA on their agenda. She stated that L. Voronin and D. Kratzer have done the lion's share of the work providing the information and research to D. Pierce.

M. Syrnick thanked B. Width for his attendance this evening and stated his presence was no longer needed at 8:27 PM.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by J. Mathieu, seconded by R. Dodds and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 PM. All members present voted **AYE**.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Diane Laudenschick, Secretary**