MINUTES

7:30 PM

PRESENT: S. Harris

ABSENT:

D. Haywood J. Mathieu S. McNicol F. Murray A. Russano M. Syrnick G. Vitale L. Voronin M. Flynn, Attorney W. Ingram, Engineer

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by D. Laudenbach at 7:30 PM.

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. Your cooperation is appreciated. Due to continuing COVID19 precautions, the Planning Board meeting is a virtual meeting held <u>online</u>. The meeting is hosted on Zoom with the location posted on the Township website.

Notification of the time, date and place of this meeting has been published in the Hunterdon County Democrat and Courier News on December 15, 2023, and has been posted in the Kingwood Township Municipal Building on December 15, 2023 and has been filed with the Municipal Clerk.

OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEW MEMBERS

S. Harris and F. Murray were given the Oath of Office by board attorney, M. Flynn.

NEW AND PENDING MATTERS

Re-Organization:

D. Haywood was nominated as Chairperson for 2023 by S. McNicol, seconded by A. Russano.

It was moved by J. Mathieu, seconded by S. McNicol, and carried to close the nominations. All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**, except D. Haywood, who **ABSTAINED**.

J. Mathieu was nominated as Vice-Chairperson for 2023 by L. Voronin, seconded by S. McNicol.

It was moved by A. Russano, seconded by S. McNicol, and carried to close the nominations. All members present voted **AYE**.

It was moved by S. McNicol, seconded by J. Mathieu, and carried to appoint Savo, Schalk, Corsini, Warner, Gillespie, O'Grodnick and Fisher, M. Flynn, as attorney for 2023. All members present voted **AYE.**

It was moved by A. Russano, seconded by S. McNicol, and carried to appoint Engineering and Land Planning, W. Ingram, as engineer for 2023. All members present voted **AYE**.

It was moved by L. Voronin, seconded by A. Russano, and carried to appoint Banisch & Associates, D. Banisch, as planner for 2023. All members present voted **AYE**.

J. Mathieu inquired if the meetings were going to continue being virtual. M. Syrnick responded that currently the meetings through March will be held virtual and it will then be reassessed.

M. Flynn stated if the Board decides to go in person after March, the Board secretary will have to notice the meetings are now in person.

J. Mathieu inquired if the Board members were interested in changing the meeting time to 7:00 PM. It was a discussion at the Board of Adjustment (BOA) meeting last evening and they changed the time. After a brief discussion the Board members decided to leave the meeting time at 7:30 PM.

It was moved by J. Mathieu, seconded by S. McNicol, and carried to approve the meeting dates as set forth on the below:

February 9, 2023	July 13, 2023
March 9, 2023	August 10, 2023
April 13, 2023	September 14, 2023
May 11, 2023	October 12, 2023
June 8, 2023	November 9, 2023
	December 14, 2023

All members present voted AYE.

It was moved by M. Syrnick, seconded by S. McNicol, and carried to designate the Hunterdon County Democrat as the official newspaper, with the Courier News as alternate, of the Kingwood Township Planning Board. All members present voted **AYE**.

F. Murray inquired if the meeting was open to the public and how does the Board know if any members of the public are present.

M. Syrnick responded the meeting is open to the public and the link is available on the website. L. Voronin stated she swipes down on her I-pad and she can see who is in attendance at the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by A. Russano, seconded by S. McNicol, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 PM. All members present voted **AYE**.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Laudenbach, Secretary