



**NEW MILFORD PLANNING BOARD
PUBLIC/REORGANIZATION SESSION
January 17, 2012**

Motion by: H. Berner Seconded by: C. Scavetta

Chairman DeCarlo called the Reorganization Meeting of the New Milford Planning Board to order at 7:30 p.m. The Chairman read the Open Public Meetings Act. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Chairman DeCarlo	Present
Mayor Subrizi	Present
Council Liaison Berner	Present
Secretary Scavetta	Present
Vice Chairwoman Hudak	Present
Ms. Prisendorf	Present
Ms. Sirocchi	Present
Mr. Santino	Present
Mr. Pecci	Present
Mr. Newman, Alt. 1	Present
Ms. DaCosta, Alt. 2	Absent
Mr. Madaio – Borough Attorney	Present
Mrs. Batistic – Engineer	Present

REORGANIZATION – 2012

Mayor Subrizi advised the Chairman that newly appointed Planning Board member, Mr. DeCosta was on a previously scheduled vacation. Board Secretary said Mr. DaCosta made his apologies for not being able to attend the reorganization meeting and said he would be present at the next meeting.

All offices and committees from 2011 were dissolved. Mr. DeCarlo officially welcomed the new members, Ms. Scavetta and Mr. Newman, he congratulated Mrs. Prisendorf who moved up to a regular board member. Mr. DeCarlo thanked Mr. Madaio for sitting in on the meeting due to the resignation of the Board’s previous attorney Mr. Neiss. Mr. DeCarlo thanked the past members for their many years of dedication to the Board and the town.

Borough Attorney was in receipt of the oaths of alliance and he swore in Ms. Scavetta and Mr. Newman. They were advised to stand and recite, then sign the oaths. Everyone applauded, congratulated, and welcomed the new Planning Board members.

Mr. DeCarlo called for nominations for the position of Planning Board Chairperson. Mayor Subrizi nominated Angelo DeCarlo; Mrs. Prisendorf seconded said nomination, and carried by all. As there were no other nominations, Mr. DeCarlo was elected to the position of Planning Board Chairman. Everyone applauded. The Chairman wished the Board a Happy New Year, and thanked everyone for their vote of confidence. He said he was looking forward to working with the Board.

The Chairman asked for nominations for Vice-Chairperson. Mr. Santino nominated Carol Hudak, Councilman Berner seconded said nomination, and carried by all. As there were no other nominations Ms. Hudak was elected to the position of Vice-Chairwoman. Everyone applauded. The Chairman explained how it was important for the Vice Chair to run the meeting in the event of his absence or if he would have to recuse himself from an application.

APPOINTMENTS OF PROFESSIONALS

The Chairman asked for nominations for Board Engineer. Ms. Prisenorf nominated Margita Batistic of Boswell Engineering; Councilman Berner seconded said nomination and carried by all. As there were no other nominations Boswell Engineering was elected to the position of Board Engineer. Everyone applauded. Mrs. Batistic thanked everyone for their vote of confidence and she looked forward to guiding the Board.

The Chairman asked for nominations for Board Planner. Councilman Berner nominated Burgis Associates, Inc., Ms. Prisenorf seconded said nomination and carried by all. As there were no other nominations Burgis Associates, Inc. was elected to the position of Board Planner.

The Chairman asked for nominations for Board Attorney. Vice Chairwoman Hudak nominated Richard Abrahamsen, Councilman Berner seconded said nomination. Ms. Scavetta nominated Elliot Urdang, seconded by Mrs. Prisenorf. Board Attorney said since two nominations have been made a discussion was opened to discuss the RFQ's that was submitted. Chairman DeCarlo and Mayor Subrizi offered their opinions on how Mr. Abrahamsen came highly recommended. After much discussion by the Board a nomination was made by Vice Chairwoman Hudak, seconded by Councilman Berner and carried by all for Richard J. Abrahamsen to be elected to the position of Board Attorney.

HOME PROFESSIONAL OFFICE

Borough Attorney advised the members to have the new Planning Board Attorney draft a resolution to the Mayor and Council. He said it should state the recommendation to change the Home Professional Office ordinance was in conformance with the Master Plan. Chairman DeCarlo asked the secretary to contact Mr. Abrahamsen and ask if he could have a resolution for next week's work session meeting and to sunshine notice the January 24, 2012 meeting as a combined session.

MANDATORY CLASSES

Chairman DeCarlo asked the recording secretary to hand out the mandatory class schedule for the upcoming classes. Chairman DeCarlo asked the new members to review the schedule and inform the recording secretary when they would like to attend the class. Chairman DeCarlo advised Mr. Newman of the duties of being an alternate member and how it was important for him to attend because at any time if a member could not attend he would be called upon to vote. Mr. Newman thanked Chairman DeCarlo for his explanation.

As there was no further business, a **Motion** to adjourn was offered by Vice Chairwoman Hudak seconded by Councilman Berner and carried by all. Chairman DeCarlo said the next Planning Board meeting would be combined session on January 24, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,



Maria Sapuppo
Planning Board Recording Secretary