



**NEW MILFORD PLANNING BOARD
PUBLIC/REORGANIZATION SESSION**

JANUARY 15, 2013

Chairman DeCarlo called the Reorganization Meeting of the New Milford Planning Board to order at 7:35 p.m. The Chairman read the Open Public Meetings Act. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

2012 ROLL CALL:

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

REORGANIZATION – 2013

All offices and committees from 2012 were dissolved. Mr. DeCarlo thanked the past members for their many years of dedication to the Board and the town. Mr. DeCarlo officially welcomed the new members, Mr. Mottola and Mr. Prendergast, he also congratulated that Mr. DaCosta who moved up to be a regular member. He said he was advised by Mr. DaCosta who couldn't attend due to his work schedule. Chairman DeCarlo said he would be sworn in at the next meeting.

Board Attorney was in receipt of the oaths of allegiance. He swore in Councilwoman Grant, Mr. Mottola and Mr. Prendergast. They were advised to stand and recite, then sign the oaths. Everyone applauded, congratulated, and welcomed the new Planning Board members.

Mayor Subrizi called for nominations for the position of Planning Board Chairperson. Mayor Subrizi nominated Angelo DeCarlo; Mrs. Prisendorf seconded said nomination, which was 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-Chair. Mayor Subrizi nominated Chris Pecci; Mr. Mottola seconded said nomination, which was carried by all. As there were no other nominations Mr. Pecci was elected to the position of Vice-Chairman. 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. Mr. Pecci thanked the board.

2013 ROLL CALL:

Chairman DeCarlo	Present
Mayor Subrizi	Present
Councilwoman Grant	Present
Secretary Scavetta	Present
Vice Chairman Pecci	Present
Mr. DaCosta	Absent
Mr. Mottola	Present
Ms. Prisendorf	Present
Mr. Santino	Absent
Mr. Newman, Alt. 1	Present
Mr. Prendergast, Alt. 2	Present
Mr. Abrahamsen – Attorney	Present
Mrs. Batistic – Engineer	Present

APPOINTMENTS OF PROFESSIONALS

The Chairman asked for nominations for Board Planner. He asked the Mayor to advise the board as to the Mayor and Council appointment of Phillips, Priess, Grygeil, LLC, 33-41 Newark Street 3rd Floor –Suite D, Hoboken, NJ. Mayor Subrizi said there was a conflict with the Burgis firm for the New Milford Redevelopment case, and the Borough hired Phillip Gyreil’s firm to represent the Borough on that case. Mayor Subrizi suggested keeping the Planners consistent for continuity. Councilwoman Grant also highly recommended the Phillips, Preiss, Grygeil firm. She said she has sat on many New Milford Redevelopment application hearings and Mr. Grygeil was doing a good job. Mayor Subrizi nominated Phillips, Priess, Grygeil, Ms. Grant seconded said nomination which was carried by all. As there were no other nominations Phillips, Priess, Grygeil was elected to the position of Board Planner.

The Chairman explained to the Board that there were two RFQ submissions, he said one applicant had to remove his submission due to his commitment to another board conflicts with the New Milford Planning Board meeting dates. Chairman DeCarlo said instead of discussing just one candidate. He felt the board should request the Borough Clerk to advertise for another round of RFQ’s with a deadline of February 1st. In answer to Mrs. Prisendorf, Chairman DeCarlo said Mr. Madaio asked to have his submission removed. Chairman DeCarlo suggested approving a resolution to extend Mr. Abrahamsen’s appointment for 60 days to bridge the gap.

Motion by Councilwoman Grant, seconded by Mrs. Prisendorf, which was carried by all, to hold over Mr. Abrahamsen’s appointment of Board Attorney for a period of sixty (60) days.

Chairman DeCarlo thanked Mr. Abrahamsen. He said to the Board when the new RFQ's come in they would have to review and then at the February 19th public session meeting they would vote for the attorney.

The Chairman asked for nominations for Board Engineer. Chairman DeCarlo said the board has been served by Margita Batistic of Boswell Engineering; for quite some time. He said the Mayor and Council nominated Boswell Engineering and he would like to keep the continuity. Chairman DeCarlo nominated Boswell Engineering, as Planning Board planner. Mrs. Prisendorf 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.

NEW BUSINESS

Application 13-01- 307 Milford Avenue, 326 Kastler Court Subdivision

Board Attorney advised the members that new notices and republishing would be needed. He instructed the Board Secretary to call the applicants and advise them they would be placed on the February 19th agenda.

2013 Schedule of Meetings

Motion by Mrs. Prisendorf, seconded by Secretary Scavetta, which was carried by all, to approve the schedule of meetings for 2013 with a minor year correction.

New Members

Chairman DeCarlo asked the new members Mr. Mottola and Mr. Prendergast to tell the board their background with regard to the interest to be on the Planning Board. He advised the new members that they need to attend a mandatory class as required by State statute. Mayor Subrizi wanted to thank the former Planning Board members who gave their time and service to the Board. She said they contributed a lot to the Board. Chairman DeCarlo said Thea Sirocchi has served on the Planning Board for over 17 years and was the longest serving the member of the board. Chairman DeCarlo and the Board welcomed working with the new members.

Zoning Board 2012 Applications

Chairman DeCarlo said the board reviews the Zoning Board applications to see if there is a consistent pattern of variances and if ordinances would have to be reviewed. Board Engineer said in the past there was consistent applicants asking for driveway variances. After the Planning Board reviewed the ordinance they recommended to the Mayor and Council a revision.

As there was no further business, a **Motion** to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. was offered by Secretary Scavetta seconded by Councilwoman Grant and carried by all. Chairman DeCarlo said the next Planning Board meeting would be a public session on February 19, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Maria Sapuppo". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Maria Sapuppo
Planning Board Recording Secretary