

BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD PLANNING BOARD COMBINED SESSION MINUTES

February 24, 2015

Chairman DeCarlo called the work session of the New Milford Planning Board to order at 7:36 pm. The Chairman read the Open Public Meetings Act. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present
Absent
Present
Absent
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Absent

Mr. Leibman - Attorney Excused Mrs. Batistic – Engineer Excused

PUBLIC SESSION

Chairman DeCarlo advised the board members that he appreciated the members who attended the meeting even though the agenda was on light side. He said he would like to continue to meet at least once a month. He advised the Board members he wanted to publish the attorney resolution in accordance with the law, and to approve the minutes in a timely fashion.

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Motion by Ms. Scavetta, seconded by Vice Chairman Pecci, and carried by all to approve the official minutes of the Reorganization Meeting of January 20, 2015 with a minor change to remove one of the two Mrs. word on page one.

ATTORNEY RESOLUTION

Chairman DeCarlo read the resolution whereas the Planning Board has appointed Marc Leibman from Kaufman, Semerero, Leibman as Planning Board attorney for one year commencing February 24, 2015.

Motion by Ms. Scavetta, seconded by Vice Chairman Pecci to approve the resolution to appoint Marc Leibman as Planning Board Attorney.

Secretary Scavetta
Vice Chairman Pecci
Mr. Mottola
Mrs. Prisendorf
Mr. Tsakalis
Chairman DeCarlo
For the motion
Abstained
For the motion
Abstained
For the motion

Resolution was approved.

SUSTAINABLE JERSEY

Chairman DeCarlo advised the members that Councilman Cabrerra informed him that he was looking for volunteers for a committee/commission he was interested in starting regarding Sustainable Jersey. Secretary Scavetta said as the liaison to the Environmental Commission and Planning Board member she volunteered to be a member to see if the Borough could be considered for grants as the Borough was already doing certain sustainable criteria such as clean communities and tree plantings. Chairman DeCarlo said he would like to hear from the Mayor and Councilman Colucci with regard to the matter and asked the Secretary to put Sustainable Jersey on the next meeting agenda. It was also suggested to invite Councilman Cabrerra to speak on the topic.

In answer to Mr. Mottola's question regarding the Gramercy application. He was advised the governor granted another year to the existing permit extension act allowing the Gramercy project able to be extended until December 2015 with an availability to be considered an extension until June 2016 for the project.

In answer to Mrs. Prisendorf's question regarding the status of the United Water project. Chairman DeCarlo felt it was better suited to ask the Board Attorney the status of the pending lawsuit at the next meeting.

Mr. Mottola updated the members with regard to new laws regarding cell towers and how towns should review their master plans to see if updates were needed. Chairman DeCarlo and the members felt that was a great suggestion and the

Chairman asked the secretary to put the matter on the next agenda. She said she would email the members prior to the next meeting an article that was written in the NJ Planner with regard to cell towers.

As there was no further business to be conducted by the Board, a **motion** to adjourn was offered by Vice Chairman Pecci seconded by Mrs. Prisendorf, and carried by all. Chairman DeCarlo said the next meeting will be held on March 17, 2015 at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary