Approved 2/8/22

New Milford Zoning Board of Reorganization Session/Work Session 01 11 2022

Virtual meeting (zoom)

Vice Chairman Adelung called the Reorganization/Work Session of the New Milford Zoning Board of Adjustment to order at 7:33 pm and read the Open Public Meeting Act.

ROLL CALL

Present
Present
Present
Present
Present
Absent
Present
Present
Present
Present

REORGANIZATION 2022

Councilman Matthew Seymour swore in Ms. Eileen DeBari as a full member (unexp) with a term expiring 12/31/25.

Councilman Matthew Seymour swore in Mr. Justin Hicks as alternate 2 (unexp) with a term expiring 12/31/23.

Meeting turned over to the senior member, Karl Schaffenberger.

George Adelung called for a motion to dissolve the firm of 50 States Engineering. Motion made by Mr. Adelung, seconded by Mr. Rebsch and carried by all.

George Adelung called for a motion to dissolve the legal counsel of Scott Sproviero, Esq. Motion made by Mr. Rebsch, seconded by Mr. Schaffenberger and carried by all. Recently, we lost a member of our zoning family, said Karl Schaffenberger. On December 28th, Scott Sproviero passed away. He was a major influence to this board helping to shape it into the viable body that it is today. He loved this board and during my tenure as chair, his wisdom and guidance made that difficult job much easier. Karl Schaffenberger said over the years, he also became a dear friend to himself and other members. He was a one-of-a kind and whoever is called upon to fill his shoes will have a formidable task ahead of them. He will be missed deeply by us, his wife and his twin boys.

Karl Schaffenberger called for a motion to dissolve the Chairman from his obligation to the zoning board.

Motion made by Mr. Adelung, seconded by Mr. Levine and carried by all.

Karl Schaffenberger called for a motion to nominate a Chairman for 2022.

Motion made by Ms. DeBari to nominate Karl Schaffenberger, seconded by Mr. Rebsch Karl Schaffenberger declined the position but would consider Vice Chairman.

Motion made by Mr. Levine to nominate George Adelung as Chairman, seconded by Mr. Hicks The motion passed on a roll call as follows:

For the motion: Members Levine, Adelung, LoPorto, Birnbaum, Schaffenberger Against the motion: Members DeBari, Rebsch

Karl Schaffenberger called for a motion to nominate a Vice Chairman for 2022. Motion made by Mr. Adelung to nominate Karl Schaffenberger, seconded by Mr. Rebsch The motion passed on a roll call as follows:

For the motion: Members Adelung, Rebsch, DeBari, Levine, LoPorto, Birnbaum Abstain: Member Schaffenberger

No other nominations were made.

One (1) RFQ submitted to the Board for Legal Counsel: Scott Sproviero RFQs for Board Attorney will be opened on Monday 1/24/22. A special meeting for the appointment of a Board Attorney is scheduled for Wednesday 1/26/22 at 7:30 pm.

Two (2) RFQs were submitted to the board for Board Engineer: 50 States Engineering and Neglia Engineering

The Chairman called for a motion to nominate the engineering firm 50 States Engineering. Motion made by Ms. DeBari, seconded by Mr. Schaffenberger.

The motion passed on a roll call as follows:

For the motion: Members DeBari, Schaffenberger, Adelung, Levine, LoPorto, Rebsch, Birnbaum Vote 7-0

Motion to close the reorganization meeting was made by Mr. Levine, seconded by Mr. Rebsch and carried by all.

REVIEW MINUTES OF THE WORK/PUBLIC SESSION – November 09, 2021

The Board Members reviewed the minutes and there were no changes.

The Board Members received the 2021 Annual Report for their review.

Chairman Adelung discussed with the board members that the Mayor and Council would continue meetings virtually for the first quarter of 2022. The Zoning Board of Adjustment would also have their meetings virtually for the first quarter of 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

22-01 308 Myrtle Avenue – Quinones – Block 1214/14

New Home – Building and Impervious Variances

Chairman Adelung stated that this application would be carried to the February 8, 2022 meeting.

Motion to close the work session was made by Mr. Levine seconded by Mr. Rebsch and carried by all.

New Milford Zoning Board of Adjustment Public Session

January 11, 2022

Chairman Adelung called the Public Session of the New Milford Zoning Board of Adjustment to order at 7:55pm and read the Open Public Meeting Act.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Adelung -Chairman	Present
Mr. Birnbaum	Present
Mr. DeBari	Present
Ms. Hicks	Present
Mr. Levine	Present
Mr. Loonam -	Absent
Mr. LoPorto	Present
Mr. Rebsch	Present
Mr. Schaffenberger -Vice Chair	Present
Ms. Batistic -Engineer	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE WORK / PUBLIC SESSION January 11, 2022

Motion to accept the minutes was made by Vice Chairman Schaffenberger, seconded by Mr. Rebsch and carried by all.

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New Home – Building and Impervious Variances

Chairman Adelung stated that this application would be carried to the February 8, 2022 meeting.

Mr. LoPorto prepared a resolution stating that the Board called to order a special meeting on Wednesday January 26, 2022 at 7:30 pm for the purpose of reviewing selected candidates for board counsel.

Motion to memorialize the resolution was made by Mr. Schaffenberger, seconded by Mr. Rebsch For the motion: Members Schaffenberger, Rebsch, Adelung, DeBari, Levine, LoPorto, Birnbaum.

The Chairman expressed how sad it was for him, the board and the Borough not to have Mr. Weisbrot and Mr. Sproviero here. Both did a so much and would be missed by all.

As there was no further business to discuss, a motion was made to close the meeting by Mr. Rebsch, seconded by Mr. Levine and carried by all.

Respectfully submitted, Maureen Oppelaar