BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES FEBRUARY 24, 2015

OATH OF OFFICE:

The Oath of Office was taken by Chris Vitalos, Charles Post and Andrew Turner before the start of the meeting.

Chairman Vitalos led the members of the Board in the flag salute and read the Open Public Meetings Act into the Record

Roll Call:Turner, Durfee, Mangiacotti, Post, Vitalos, Eller – 6 PresentAbsent:CarrollVacancy:1 VacancyAlso Present:Steven Gruenberg, Board Attorney
Gene Weber, Board Engineer
Patricia Titus, Clerk

NOMINATIONS:

Nomination for Temporary Chair: Chris Vitalos – moved by Post, seconded by Turner. No other nominations. Move to close nominations. Vote for Chris Vitalos as Temporary chair. All in favor.

Nomination for Chair: Motion by Post seconded by Turner to nominate Chris Vitalos as Chair. Nominations closed. Vote for Chris Vitalos as Chair. All in favor.

Nomination for Vice Chair: Motion by Post, seconded by Turner to nominate Don Eller as Vice Chair. Nominations closed. Vote for Don Eller as Vice Chair. All in favor.

Nomination for Secretary: Motion by Post, seconded by Turner to nominate Frank Mangiacotti as Secretary. Nominations closed. Vote for Frank Mangiacotti as Secretary. All in favor.

Appointment of Clerk: Motion by Eller, seconded by Post to appoint Patricia Titus as Board of Adjustment Clerk. All in favor.

REORGANIZATION RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 2015:1 – Appointment of Board Attorney: Motion by Turner, seconded by Post to appoint Steven Gruenberg as the Board Attorney for 2015.

Roll Call: Turner, Durfee, Mangiacotti, Post, Vitalos, Eller – Ayes: 6, Nays: 0, Abstained: 0 Motion carried

Resolution 2015:2 – Appointment of Board Engineer: Motion by Turner, Seconded by Durfee to appoint Finelli Consulting as Board Engineer for 2015.

Roll Call: Turner, Durfee, Mangiacotti, Post, Vitalos, Eller – Ayes: 6, Nays: 0, Abstained: 0 Motion carried

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Resolution 2015:3 – Appointment of Board Planner: Motion by Mangiacotti, seconded by Turner to appoint Heyer, Gruel & Associates as Board Planner for 2015.

Turner, Durfee, Mangiacotti, Post, Vitalos, Eller -Roll Call:

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0, Abstained: 0

Motion carried

Resolution 2015:4 – Open Public Meetings Act: Motion by Post, seconded by Turner to adopt the resolution as presented.

Roll Call:

Turner, Durfee, Mangiacotti, Post, Vitalos, Eller -Ayes: 6, Nays: 0, Abstained: 0

Motion carried

Meeting Schedule for 2015: The Board discussed meeting start time and agreed to change the time to 7:30 p.m. Motion by Post, seconded by Mangiacotti to approve the meeting schedule and change the meeting time to 7:30 pm.

Roll Call: Turner, Durfee, Mangiacotti, Post, Vitalos, Eller -Ayes: 6, Nays: 0, Abstained: 0

Motion carried

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting – November 25, 2014

Chairman Vitalos entertained additions or corrections to the minutes. No comments on the minutes. It was moved by Post, seconded by Turner, that the minutes of the regular meeting held November 25, 2014, be approved as presented.

Roll Call: Turner, Durfee, Mangiacotti, Post, Vitalos, Eller -Ayes: 6, Nays: 0, Abstained: 0

Motion carried

RESOLUTIONS:

Eric Rossland: no discussion on the resolution. Therfore, it was moved by Eller, seconded by Turner to adopt the resolution.

Roll Call: Turner, Durfee, Mangiacotti, Post, Vitalos, Eller -Ayes: 6, Nays: 0, Abstained: 0

Motion carried

APPLICATIONS:

Atul Rastogi:

Attorney Gruenberg stated that there was an issue with the notices and that he had spoken to the applicant before the meeting. Some of the certified mailings were sent on 2/18 which is less than the 10 day requirement. The Board could require new notices to only those that were not within the 10 day and continue the hearing until March 24. All agreed. Motion by Eller, seconded by Post.

Roll Call: Turner, Durfee, Mangiacotti, Post, Vitalos, Eller -Ayes: 6, Nays: 0, Abstained: 0

Motion carried

Attorney Gruenberg announced the new hearing date of March 24 with no further notice.

REPORTS:

There were no reports at this meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS:

No comments.

REMARKS:

Chair Vitalos stated that he had heard from Nathan Carroll regarding his work schedule and ability to attend meetings. He will be speaking with him about continuing on the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

Hearing no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made that the meeting be adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Mangiacotti, Secretary