

**Stillwater Township Planning Board  
Minutes of  
September 21, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Stillwater Township Planning Board was held in the Municipal Building, Middleville, New Jersey and was called to order by Vice-Chairman Feenstra at 7:35 p.m. She led the Board in the flag salute and he announced that adequate notice of this meeting had been given to the public and the press under the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act", N.J.S.A 10:4-1 et.seq.

**Members Present:** Mr. Branagan  
Ms. English  
Ms. Fisher  
Ms. Feenstra  
Mr. Lockwood  
Mr. Donofrio  
Mr. Scott (arriving at 8:37 p.m.)

**Members Excused:** Mr. Nothstine, Alt#1  
Mr. Emmons  
Mr. Morrison

**Also Present:** William Haggerty, Esq.  
Joseph Golden, PE

**MINUTES:**

Ms. Fisher made the motion to approve the minutes of July 20, 2011. Motion seconded by Mr. Branagan. Discussion on the motion: Ms. Feenstra noted a typographical error and Mr. Branagan had a suggested additional sentence. Roll call vote:

Mr. Branagan-Yes                      Ms. English-Yes  
Ms. Fisher-Yes                        Ms. Feenstra-Yes  
Mr. Lockwood-Yes                    Mr. Donofrio-Abstain

**PUBLIC SESSION**

The meeting was opened to the public at 7:37 pm. With there being no public, the meeting was closed to the public.

**BILLS**

<b>Dolan &amp; Dolan</b>		
7-29-11	Re: Fischer	150.00
7-29-11	Re: General	300.00
<b>Golden &amp; Moran</b>		
9-02-11	Re: Fisher	220.00
9-02-11	Re: General	220.00
<b>NJ Herald</b>		
8-07-11	Re: Notices	42.10

Ms. Fisher made the motion to approve the vouchers, funds permitted. Motion seconded by Mr. Lockwood. Roll call vote:

Mr. Branagan-Yes                      Ms. English-Yes  
Ms. Fisher-Yes                        Ms. Feenstra-Yes  
Mr. Lockwood-Yes                    Mr. Donofrio-Yes

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS:**

**#2011-12 Outdoor Wood Furnace Ordinance**

The Board reviewed the draft Ordinance. Ms. English noted a typographical error in Section 4 (G) where it should reference 3 (H) not 3 (I).

Mr. Branagan made the motion to recommend the Ordinance to the Governing Body with that one correction. Motion seconded by Ms. Fisher. Roll call vote:

Mr. Branagan-Yes                      Ms. English-Yes  
Ms. Fisher-Yes                        Ms. Feenstra-Yes  
Mr. Lockwood-Yes                    Mr. Donofrio-Yes

**Master Plan Discussion**

Board Engineer Golden reviewed his proposal, which was distributed to the Board, and he reviewed some of the items that need to be addressed. The Board also discussed Commercial Zoning and how to address that. The Board discussed the time frame in order to complete the tasks and getting the existing documents into one binder and possibly into an electronic format. The Board reviewed the process and where the Board stands with their budget and getting authorization from the Governing Body. Ms. Fisher stated that she will find out what is in the Planning Board Budget and she agreed to forward a copy of Mr. Golden’s proposal to the Governing Body and be the liaison to the Governing Body.

Ms. Fisher stated that the Board is in favor of pursuing a Master Plan Re-Examination, depending upon funds being available and Governing Body approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Donofrio. Roll call vote:

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| Mr. Branagan-Yes | Ms. English-Yes  |
| Ms. Fisher-Yes   | Ms. Feenstra-Yes |
| Mr. Lockwood-Yes | Mr. Donofrio-Yes |

**Government Owned Lands**

To be incorporated into the Master Plan discussion.

**Commercial Zoning**

To be incorporated into the Master Plan discussion.

**Wind Turbines-Vertical and Horizontal**

Mr. Branagan read a memo from the NJ League of Municipalities in reference to Wind Turbines on Preserved Farmlands and the Board discussed whether they wished to comment on it.

Ms. Fisher made the motion to authorize Mr. Branagan to email the NJPO on behalf of the Planning Board opposing legislation S-2887 and companion A-3992. Motion seconded by Ms. English. Roll call vote:

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| Mr. Branagan-Yes | Ms. English-Yes  |
| Ms. Fisher-Yes   | Ms. Feenstra-Yes |
| Mr. Lockwood-Yes | Mr. Donofrio-Yes |

Mr. Scott arrived.

**Solar Ordinance**

This matter was deferred until the next meeting.

**Use of Property**

Ms. Fisher stated that she has a Stanhope Ordinance which she distributed this evening for discussion at next month’s meeting.

**Liaison Updates-Committee, Mayor, Board of Adjustment, and Environmental Commission**

Mayor Scott stated that he has nothing new to present. Mr. Lockwood, the Zoning Board of Adjustment Liaison, updated the Board on the status of the cellular tower application. Mr. Branagan, the Environmental Liaison, commented on the Sustainable NJ certification, the general permit for Grace Mandel, and the flooding problem at Swartswood.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Ms. Fisher updated the Board on the status of COAH and the Township Spending Plan.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

The meeting was opened to the public at 8:47 p.m. With there being no public comment, the meeting was closed to the public.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With there being no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. In a voice vote, all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Alfia Schemm  
Board Secretary