

Stillwater Township Planning Board
Minutes of
March 21, 2012

The regular meeting of the Stillwater Township Planning Board was held in the Municipal Building, Middleville, New Jersey and was called to order by Chairman Morrison at 7:33 p.m. He 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. Morrison
Ms. Feenstra
Ms. Fisher
Ms. English
Ms. Chammings
Mr. Scott
Mr. Branagan

Members Excused: Mr. Donofrio
Mr. Emmons

MINUTES:

Chairman Morrison made the motion to approve the minutes of February 15, 2012.

Motion seconded by Mayor Scott. Roll call vote to adopt the minutes:

Mr. Morrison-Yes Mr. Scott-Yes
Ms. Feenstra-Yes Ms. Chammings-Yes
Ms. English-Yes Ms. Fisher-Yes
Mr. Branagan-Abstain

PUBLIC SESSION

Chairman Morrison opened the meeting up to the public. With there being no public, the meeting was closed to the public.

BILLS

Dolan & Dolan

2-28-12 Re: General 225.00

Mayor Scott made the motion to approve the bill, funds permitted. Motion seconded by Ms. Fisher. Roll call:

Mr. Morrison-Yes Mr. Scott-Yes
Ms. Feenstra-Yes Ms. Chammings-Yes
Ms. English-Yes Ms. Fisher-Yes
Mr. Branagan-Yes

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Master Plan Discussion:

Government Owned Lands

Commercial Zoning

Stormwater Management

Ms. English, Mr. Branagan, Chairman Morrison, and Ms. Chammings received copies of the 1999 Master Plan. The Board discussed, at great length, the draft Government Owned Lands Ordinance. Board Attorney Morgenstern stated that he could contact Sparta to ask them about their Ordinance. The Board continued to discuss the minimum lot sizes that the Township might want to consider. Ms. English questioned the possible permitted uses. Board Engineer Golden stated that he will provide the Board with an updated list of Government Owned Lands and a modified Ordinance for the Board's consideration next month.

Solar Ordinance

Both Board Engineer Golden and Board Attorney Morgenstern stated that they do have draft Ordinances for the Board's consideration, when the time comes to discuss it. Chairman Morrison asked that the Board get copies of those drafts.

Wind Turbines-Vertical and Horizontal

Board Engineer Golden stated that he can also provide the Board with a draft Ordinance for the Board's consideration.

Use of Property

Deferred.

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

Mayor Scott stated that the Budget was introduced last night, which he briefly touched upon. He also stated that he has been told that a lawsuit pertaining to the Cellular Tower denial was filed against the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Board Attorney Morgenstern briefly reviewed the application before the Zoning Board of Adjustment and he stated that the revised Tanis Contract had come in today.

Mr. Branagan, Environmental Commission Liaison, discussed the revision to the Morris Land Conservancy Contract. He stated that they will be updating their Newsletter. He also stated that he will be bringing up, to the Environmental Commission, signage pertaining to no idling. He also commented on: the Amphibian Crossing; approval for the site survey for the Joe Durso application; the evasive plant removal at Veterans' Field; animal waste near waterways; PSEG power lines; E-Waste Disposal; and preventing mosquitoes habitats. Ms. Fisher questioned tree cutting on smaller lots and she asked if the Environmental Commission could review that issue. Mr. Branagan also questioned the lighting at the Municipal Building.

CORRESPONDENCE:

NONE

PUBLIC SESSION

Chairman Morrison noted that there is no public present.

ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further business, Mayor Scott made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Chairman Morrison. In a voice vote, all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Alfia Schemm
Board Secretary
4-11-12