

**UPPER TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Upper Township Planning Board was held at the Township Hall, 2100 Tuckahoe Road, Petersburg, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

**SUNSHINE ANNOUNCEMENT**

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Jack Griffin, Joseph Harney, Ted Kingston, Gary Riordan, Robert Young, Chairman James Kelly.

Absent: Georgette Costello, Michael Endicott, Scott Morgan, Richard Palombo, Hobart Young.

Also, in attendance were Jeffrey Barnes, Board Solicitor; Paul Dietrich, Board Engineer; Shelley Lea, Board Secretary.

**APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 15, 2019 MEETING MINUTES**

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Riordan, seconded by Mr. Harney, and approved. Abstain: Griffin and Young.

**SWEAR IN PAUL DIETRICH**

**APPLICATIONS**

1. **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE MASTER PLAN REEXAMINATION AND REVISIONS TO THE ORDINANCE IN STRATHMERE**

Mr. Dietrich announced there was a meeting in Strathmere a couple of weekends ago to discuss the Strathmere ordinance. The meeting was well attended and there was a good amount of public comment. The issue regarding side yard setbacks still needs to be resolved.

Mr. Dietrich stated the master plan reexam will also include affordable housing. The Planner is still having discussions with the fair share housing, but she hopes to have a draft prepared sometime in October. The plan endorsement is up for renewal with the state planning office and they have supplied a list of what needs to be addressed. Mosat

of the items have already been done the State wants a more comprehensive incorporation of this document this added into the planning document. This would also address the coastal vulnerability, sea level rise and how that effects planning operations. The board must also develop a municipal public access plan. This is needed for the State to pay 75 percent of the cost for beach fill. A public access plan is needed for the township to keep its beach dune maintenance permit. The public access plan shows how the public accesses not only the ocean but the rivers, creeks, bay and other waterways. He would like the board to address the public access plan at the October board meeting. He briefly discussed a redevelopment of the BL England site.

Mr. Kingston discussed some of his concerns with the proposed ordinance revisions in Strathmere.

Mr. Dietrich discussed the parkway bridge and when it would be open for foot traffic.

The meeting was open to the public.

Lisa Carr, 33 E Webster Avenue, was sworn. She discussed the proposed sliding scale for the setbacks in Strathmere. She feels more data should be available regarding this. She asked about procedures and time frames for adopting the ordinance revisions. She has no opinion about the revisions since she has no data to conceptualize.

Janice Connell, 1808 Commonwealth Avenue, was sworn. She discussed the meeting that was held in Strathmere recently where they looked at the idea of using a sliding scale but there was no detail or data available. She agrees with Ms. Carr that it is difficult to make any kind of judgement or opinion if you can't picture it in your mind or understand what the impact is without utilizing data. She hopes the matter will be expedited since this is a priority.

## 2. NJDOT ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Review of the Design Alternatives for NJDOT Roadway Improvement Projects for Route 9 and Tuckahoe Road to Roosevelt Boulevard in Marmora.

Mr. Dietrich stated the NJDOT is focusing on two sections of roadway along Route 9. The DOT would like to make pedestrian access improvements and have the proper lane widths and shoulders since there currently are no real shoulders. The board reviewed the alternative designs supplied by the NJDOT.

A motion was made by Mr. Harney and seconded by Mr. Riordan to make a recommendation to township committee in favor of design numbers 4 and 6. In favor: Griffin, Harney, Kingston, Riordan, Young and Kelly.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Hearing no response, the public portion was closed.

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. SPECIAL RESOLUTION 06-2019 – HARRIET LANE LLC – SITE SPECIFIC AMENDMENT TO THE CAPE MAY COUNTY/UPPER TOWNSHIP WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Mr. Harney, seconded by Mr. Young, and approved.

2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTACT WITH TIFFANY A. CUVIELLO FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Harney, and approved.

**BILLS**

A motion to approve the bills for payment was made by Mr. Harney, seconded by Mr. Griffin, and approved.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Young and seconded by Mr. Harney to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Submitted by,

