

**UPPER TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 20, 2022**

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

**SUNSHINE ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**  
**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Curtis Corson, Janet McCrosson, Joseph Harney, Ted Kingston, Christopher McGuire, Gary Riordan, Robert Young, Sean Whelan, Kimberly Hayes, Davida Wines

Absent: John Klebaur

Also, in attendance were Jeffrey Barnes, Board Solicitor; Paul Dietrich, Board Engineer; Liz Oaks, Board Secretary.

**REORGANIZATION**

The board secretary asked for nominations for Chair.

A motion to nominate Joseph Harney as Chairman was made by Ms. McCrosson and seconded by Mr. McGuire. The nominations were closed. In favor: Corson, McCrosson, Kingston, McGuire, Riordan, Young, Whelan, Hayes, Wines

**JOSEPH HARNEY BOARD CHAIRMAN FOR 2022**

A motion to nominate Gary Riordan as Vice Chairman was made by Ms. McCrosson, seconded by Mr. Kingston. The nominations were closed. In favor: Corson, McCrosson, Harney, Kingston, McGuire, Young, Whelan, Hayes, Wines

**GARY RIORDAN VICE CHAIRMAN FOR 2022**

**OATH OF OFFICE**

Davida Wines, Sean Whelan, Kimberly Hayes, Robert Young Sr. and Janet McCrosson take the Oath of Office.

**APPOINTMENTS**

A motion to nominate Jeffrey Barnes as Board Solicitor was made by Mr. McGuire and seconded by Ms. McCrosson. The nominations were closed. In favor: Corson, McCrosson, Harney, Kingston, McGuire, Riordan, Young, Whelan, Hayes, Wines

**JEFFREY P. BARNES BOARD SOLICITOR FOR 2022**

A motion to nominate Paul Dietrich as Board Engineer was made by Mr. Riordan and seconded by Mr. McGuire. The nominations were closed. In favor: Corson, McCrosson, Harney, McGuire, Riordan, Young, Whelan, Hayes, Wines. Opposed: Kingston  
**PAUL DIETRICH BOARD ENGINEER FOR 2022**

A motion to nominate Liz Oaks as Board Secretary was made by Ms. McCrosson and seconded by Mr. McGuire. The nominations were closed. In favor: Corson, McCrosson, Harney, Kingston, McGuire, Riordan, Young, Whelan, Hayes, Wines  
**LIZ OAKS BOARD SECRETARY FOR 2022**

### **OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS 2022**

A motion was made by Mr. Harney and seconded by Mayor Corson, to utilize The Press of Atlantic City and the Cape May County Herald as the official newspapers. All in favor.

### **APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 16, 2021 MEETING MINUTES** **APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 16, 2021 CLOSED SESSION MEETING MINUTES**

Ms. McCrosson noted that there were some minor corrections that were discussed with the board secretary to correct items.

A motion to approve both, with corrections, was made by Mayor Corson, seconded by Ms. McCrosson and approved. Abstain: Whelan, Hayes, Wines.

### **REVIEW**

#### **Deauville Inn – BLOCK 850 LOTS 1, 1.01, 3, 3.01, 4 & 5 – PB 06-2021**

Applicant is requesting amended site plan and variance for parking, directional signs and valet parking at 201 West Willard Avenue, Strathmere, New Jersey.

This is a continuation of the September 16, 2021, and November 23, 2021 meeting.

Mr. McGuire – He has reviewed the audio from the November 23, 2021 meeting that he had not been in attendance. He appreciates the efforts of Mr. Went and Mr. Orlando. He believes they articulated the arguments of both sides very well. It is difficult to strike balance and harmony between a business in a neighborhood located in a shore town. The board was tasked with going through witness testimony and opinion with a fine-tooth comb to try to move our community forward in a way that is both productive, from an economic standpoint, and make it an attractive place to live and be a citizen. He believes our residents did a good job articulating their concerns and he feels that after reviewing the resolution, the board did a good job at addressing those concerns to the best of their ability and jurisdiction. With this information he is in favor of the application.

Mr. Barnes will now be amending the resolution to reflect this information.

### **APPLICATIONS**

#### **1. Plan Endorsement Petition Certification**

Review of the Planning and Implementation Agenda (PIA) as part of the State's Office of Planning Advocacy review of the Township's recertification for Plan Endorsement. Discussion of the State's request to modify the Planning Area changes in Beesley's Pt.

There was a brief discussion updating the new members that were not at the previous meeting.

A motion was made by Ms. McCrosson and seconded by Mr. Kingston to adopt the resolution. In favor: Corson, McCrosson, Harney, Kingston, McGuire, Riordan, Young, Whelan, Hayes, Wines

### **PUBLIC PORTION**

The meeting was opened to the public. Hearing no response, the public portion was closed.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

Schedule of Planning Board Meeting Dates

January 20, February 17, March 17, April 21, May 19, June 16, July 21, August 18, September 15, October 20, November 17, December 15.

A motion was made to adopt the resolution by Ms. McCrosson and seconded by Mr. Corson. All in favor.

Contract Agreement with Jeffrey P. Barnes of Jeffrey Barnes Law Group, LLCA motion was made to adopt the resolution by Ms. McCrosson and seconded by Mayor Corson. All in favor.

The Estate of Rita Schaivo

A motion was made to adopt the resolution by Ms. McCrosson and seconded by Mr. Harney. In favor: Corson, McCrosson, Harney, Kingston, McGuire, Young, Abstain: Whelan, Hayes, Wines, Riordan

### **BILLS**

A motion to approve the bills, as submitted, was made by Mr. Kingston, seconded by Mr. Riordan, and approved.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Young, and seconded by Mr. Harney, to adjourn the meeting, with all Board members present voting in the affirmative. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Submitted by,  
Liz Oaks