



Township of Freehold

OFFICE OF THE PLANNING BOARD

One Municipal Plaza, Freehold, NJ 07728

REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES

January 19, 2023

The Reorganization Meeting of the Planning Board was called to order by Planning Board Attorney, Roger McLaughlin, on Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Freehold Township Municipal Building, One Municipal Plaza, Freehold, New Jersey. Mr. McLaughlin read the Notice of the Open Public Meetings Law: “In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, (c.231.P.L. 1975), this meeting was announced by posting the notice on the bulletin board reserved for that purpose; by mailing such notice on February 8, 2022 to the official newspapers of the Township and by filing such notice with the Township Clerk.”

Mr. McLaughlin administered the Oaths of Office for:

Mayor Alan C. Walker – Class I, 1 year
Lester A. Preston, Jr. – Mayor’s Designee, Class I, 1 year
Matthew R. Barbieri – Class II, 1 year
Maureen Fasano – Class III, 1 year
John Bazzurro – Class IV, 4 years
Leon Bruno – Class IV, 4 years
Robert Shortmeyer – Class IV, 4 years
Michael Pucci – Alternate I, 2 years
Christopher Marion – Alternate II, 2 years

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Mayor Walker, Mr. Barbieri, Mr. Bazzurro, Mr. Bruno, Ms. Fasano, Mr. Levy, Mr. Shortmeyer, Mr. Pucci, Mr. Marion and Mr. Krok.

Absent: Mr. Coburn and Ms. Kurtz.

Also Present: Roger McLaughlin, Esq.; Todd Brown, PP, Twp. Planner; Timothy P. White, PE, Twp. Engineer and Donna A. Butch, Administrative Officer.

Election of Chairman

On motion from Mr. Bruno, seconded by Ms. Fasano, Jason Levy was nominated as Chairman of the Freehold Township Planning Board for 2023. There were no other nominations. The following members voted in the affirmative: Mayor Walker, Mr. Barbieri, Mr. Bazzurro, Mr. Bruno, Ms. Fasano, Mr. Levy, Mr. Shortmeyer, Mr. Pucci, Mr. Marion and Mr. Krok.



Election of Vice Chairman

On motion from Mr. Shortmeyer, seconded by Ms. Fasano, John Bazzurro was nominated as Vice Chairman of the Freehold Township Planning Board for 2023. There were no other nominations. The following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Walker, Mr. Barbieri, Mr. Bazzurro, Mr. Bruno, Ms. Fasano, Mr. Levy, Mr. Shortmeyer, Mr. Pucci, Mr. Marion and Mr. Krok.

Election of Secretary

On motion from Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Levy, Robert Shortmeyer was nominated as Secretary of the Freehold Township Planning Board for 2023. There were no other nominations. The following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Walker, Mr. Barbieri, Mr. Bazzurro, Mr. Bruno, Ms. Fasano, Mr. Levy, Mr. Shortmeyer, Mr. Pucci, Mr. Marion and Mr. Krok.

RESOLUTIONS

Adoption of Rules and Regulations of the Board

Mr. Levy presented the Rules, Regulations and Procedures for the Freehold Township Planning Board, as amended on January 17, 2019, and confirmed there were no proposed changes or amendments for the 2023 year. A motion was made by Mr. Bazzurro, seconded by Mr. Pucci, to adopt the Rules and Regulations as presented. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Walker, Mr. Barbieri, Mr. Bazzurro, Mr. Bruno, Ms. Fasano, Mr. Levy, Mr. Shortmeyer, Mr. Pucci, Mr. Marion and Mr. Krok.

Resolution - Establishment of the 2023 Meeting Schedule and Reorganization Meeting date for 2024

On motion from Mr. Bazzurro, seconded by Ms. Fasano, the Board voted to adopt the 2023 Meeting Schedule, and setting of the 2024 Reorganization Meeting for January 18, 2024. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting for a resolution in the affirmative: Mayor Walker, Mr. Barbieri, Mr. Bazzurro, Mr. Bruno, Ms. Fasano, Mr. Levy, Mr. Shortmeyer, Mr. Pucci, Mr. Marion and Mr. Krok.

Resolution - Appointment of Board Attorney – Roger McLaughlin, Esq. of McLaughlin, Stauffer and Shockley

On motion from Mr. Bazzurro, seconded by Ms. Fasano, Roger McLaughlin, Esq. was appointed as Board Attorney for the Freehold Township Planning Board for 2023. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting for a resolution in the affirmative: Mayor Walker, Mr. Barbieri, Mr. Bazzurro, Mr. Bruno, Ms. Fasano, Mr. Levy, Mr. Shortmeyer, Mr. Pucci, Mr. Marion and Mr. Krok.

Resolution - Appointment of Planning Consultant – Paul A. Phillips, PP, of Phillips Preiss, Grygiel, Leheny & Hughes

On motion from Mr. Bazzurro, seconded by Ms. Fasano, Phillips Preiss, Grygiel, Leheny & Hughes was appointed as Planning Consultant for the Freehold Township Planning Board for 2023. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting for a resolution in the affirmative: Mayor Walker, Mr. Barbieri, Mr. Bazzurro, Mr. Bruno, Ms. Fasano, Mr. Levy, Mr. Shortmeyer, Mr. Pucci, Mr. Marion and Mr. Krok.



Resolution - Appointment of Planning Consultant – Thomas A. Thomas, PP, of Thomas Planning Associates, LLC

On motion from Mr. Bazzurro, seconded by Ms. Fasano, Thomas Planning Associates, LLC was appointed as Planning Consultant for the Freehold Township Planning Board for 2023. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting for a resolution in the affirmative: Mayor Walker, Mr. Barbieri, Mr. Bazzurro, Mr. Bruno, Ms. Fasano, Mr. Levy, Mr. Shortmeyer, Mr. Pucci, Mr. Marion and Mr. Krok.

Resolution Adopting the “2022 Annual Report pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70.1”

There was a motion from Mr. Bazzurro, seconded by Ms. Fasano, to adopt the 2022 Annual Report. The Planning Board adopted the 2022 Annual Report with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Walker, Mr. Barbieri, Mr. Bazzurro, Mr. Bruno, Ms. Fasano, Mr. Levy, Mr. Shortmeyer, Mr. Pucci, Mr. Marion and Mr. Krok.

Appointment of Engineer – Timothy P. White, P.E., P.L.S., Township Engineer

On motion from Mr. Bazzurro, seconded by Ms. Fasano, Timothy P. White was appointed as Planning Board Engineer for the Freehold Township Planning Board for 2023. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Walker, Mr. Barbieri, Mr. Bazzurro, Mr. Bruno, Ms. Fasano, Mr. Levy, Mr. Shortmeyer, Mr. Pucci, Mr. Marion and Mr. Krok.

Designation of the Official Newspapers – Asbury Park Press and The News Transcript

On motion from Mr. Bazzurro, seconded by Ms. Fasano, the Asbury Park Press and The News Transcript were designated as the Official Newspapers for the Freehold Township Planning Board for 2023. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Walker, Mr. Barbieri, Mr. Bazzurro, Mr. Bruno, Ms. Fasano, Mr. Levy, Mr. Shortmeyer, Mr. Pucci, Mr. Marion and Mr. Krok.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business on the Reorganization Meeting Agenda, Mr. Levy adjourned the meeting. The reorganization meeting concluded at 7:04 p.m. The Planning Board went directly into the scheduled Regular meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert H. Shortmeyer
Secretary