



Township of Freehold

OFFICE OF THE PLANNING BOARD

One Municipal Plaza, Freehold, NJ 07728

REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES

February 3, 2022

The Reorganization Meeting of the Planning Board was called to order by Chairman Gatto on Thursday, February 3, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Freehold Township Municipal Building, One Municipal Plaza, Freehold, New Jersey. Chairman Gatto 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 January 13, 2022 to the official newspapers of the Township and by filing such notice with the Township Clerk."

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Mayor Fasano, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Kash, Mr. Shortmeyer, Ms. Kurtz, Mr. Levy and Mr. Pucci.

Absent: Mr. Bazzurro and Ms. Jahn

Also Present: Roger McLaughlin, Esq.; Kate Keller, Phillips, Preiss, Grygiel, Leheny & Hughes, Township Planning Consultant; Todd Brown, Twp. Assistant Planner; Timothy P. White, Township Engineer and Donna A. Butch, Administrative Officer.

Mr. McLaughlin administered the oaths of office for:

- Mayor Maureen Fasano – Class I (1 year)
- Thomas Cook – Mayor's Designee, Class III (1 year)
- A. Richard Gatto – Class IV (1 year)
- Michael Pucci – Alternate III (2 year)
- Jason Levy – Member of Street Naming Committee

Pledge of Allegiance

Appointment of Temporary Chairman

A motion was made by Mr. Shortmeyer, and seconded by Mr. Cook, to appoint Mr. McLaughlin as Temporary Chairman. All in favor, Aye.

Roll Call – 2022 Planning Board: called by Mr. McLaughlin:

Present: Mayor Fasano [Class I]; Leon Bruno [Class IV]; Patrick Coburn [Class IV]; Thomas Cook [Mayor's Designee, Class III]; Richard Gatto [Class IV]; Robert Kash [Class IV]; Robert Shortmeyer [Class IV]; Apryl Kurtz [Alt I]; Jason Levy [Alt II] and Michael Pucci [Alternate III].

Absent: John Bazzurro [Class IV] and Margaret Jahn [Class II]

**Election of Chairman**

On motion from Mr. Shortmeyer, seconded by Ms. Kurtz, Richard Gatto was nominated as Chairman of the Freehold Township Planning Board for 2022. There were no other nominations. The following members voted in the affirmative: Mayor Fasano, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Shortmeyer, Ms. Kurtz, Mr. Levy and Mr. Pucci.

Planning Board Member, Robert Kash, arrived at 7:04 pm.

Election of Vice Chairman

On motion from Mr. Gatto, seconded by Mr. Shortmeyer, Robert Kash was nominated as Vice Chairman of the Freehold Township Planning Board for 2022. There were no other nominations. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Fasano, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Kash, Mr. Shortmeyer, Ms. Kurtz, Mr. Levy and Mr. Pucci.

Election of Secretary

On motion from Mr. Gatto, seconded by Mr. Kash, Robert Shortmeyer was nominated as Secretary of the Freehold Township Planning Board for 2022. There were no other nominations. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Fasano, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Kash, Mr. Shortmeyer, Ms. Kurtz, Mr. Levy and Mr. Pucci.

Adoption of the Rules, Regulations and Procedures (as amended on January 17, 2019)

Mr. Gatto presented the Adoption of the Rules, Regulations and Procedures, as amended on January 17, 2019, and confirmed there were no proposed changes or amendments this year. A motion was made by Mr. Shortmeyer, seconded by Mr. Cook to adopt the Rules and Regulations as presented. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Fasano, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Kash, Mr. Shortmeyer, Ms. Kurtz, Mr. Levy and Mr. Pucci.

Establishment of the 2022 Meeting Schedule and Reorganization Meeting date for 2023

On motion from Mr. Shortmeyer, seconded by Mr. Cook, the Board voted to adopt the 2022 Meeting Schedule, and setting of the 2023 Reorganization Meeting for January 19, 2023. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Fasano, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Kash, Mr. Shortmeyer, Ms. Kurtz, Mr. Levy and Mr. Pucci.

Resolutions**Professional Consultants for 2022**

Appointment of Board Attorney – Roger McLaughlin, Esq. of McLaughlin, Stauffer and Shockley
On motion from Mr. Shortmeyer, seconded by Mr. Kash, Roger McLaughlin, Esq. was appointed as Board Attorney for 2022. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Fasano, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Kash, Mr. Shortmeyer, Ms. Kurtz, Mr. Levy and Mr. Pucci.

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



On motion from Mr. Shortmeyer, seconded by Mr. Kash, Phillips Preiss, Grygiel, Leheny & Hughes was appointed as Planning Consultant for 2022. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Fasano, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Kash, Mr. Shortmeyer, Ms. Kurtz, Mr. Levy and Mr. Pucci.

Appointment of Planning Consultant – Thomas A. Thomas of Thomas Planning Associates, LLC
On motion from Mr. Shortmeyer, seconded by Mr. Kash, Thomas Planning Associates, LLC was appointed as Planning Consultant for 2022. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Fasano, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Kash, Mr. Shortmeyer, Ms. Kurtz, Mr. Levy and Mr. Pucci.

Resolution Adopting the “2021 Annual Report pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70.1”
There was a motion from Mr. Cook to adopt the 2021 Annual Report, which was seconded by Mr. Pucci. The Planning Board adopted the 2021 Annual Report with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Fasano, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Kash, Mr. Shortmeyer, Ms. Kurtz, Mr. Levy and Mr. Pucci.

Appointment of Engineer – Timothy P. White, P.E., P.L.S., Township Engineer
On motion from Mr. Kash, seconded by Mr. Coburn, Timothy P. White was appointed as Planning Board Engineer for 2022. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Fasano, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Kash, Mr. Shortmeyer, Ms. Kurtz, Mr. Levy and Mr. Pucci.

Designation of the Official Newspapers – Asbury Park Press and The News Transcript
On motion from Mr. Kash, seconded by Mr. Cook, the Asbury Park Press and The News Transcript were designated as the Official Newspapers for the Freehold Township Planning Board for 2022. There was a roll call vote with the following members voting in the affirmative: Mayor Fasano, Mr. Bruno, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gatto, Mr. Kash, Mr. Shortmeyer, Ms. Kurtz, Mr. Levy and Mr. Pucci.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business on the reorganization agenda, Mr. Gatto adjourned the reorganization meeting. The reorganization meeting concluded at 7:08 p.m. The Planning Board went directly into the scheduled Regular meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,


Robert H. Shortmeyer
Secretary