MEETING OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
Planning Board Meeting Center
40 Livingston Avenue; New Brunswick, NJ
February 11, 2014 - 3:30 p.m.

Those Present:
Ms. Olga Sgambettera, Chairman
Freeholder Charles E. Tomaro
Mr. Richard Wallner, County Engineer
Mr. Vincent R. Martino
Mr. Thomas Pollando
Mr. Erik Wong, Alternate
Steven D. Cahn, Esq., Counsel
Mrs. Dorothy K. Power, Secretary

Not Present:
Mr. Gerald Tamburro, Vice Chairman
Freeholder Director Ronald G. Rios
Mr. William Thomas
Mr. Matthew M. Vaughn

Also Present
Mr. George M. Ververides, Director, Office of Planning
Ms. Mirah Becker, Supervisor, Comprehensive Planning and The Environment
Mr. Anthony Gambilonghi, Supervisor, Transportation
Mr. Stanley Olszewski, Supervisor, Development Review

Chairman Sgambettera called the meeting of the Planning Board to order at 3:30 p.m. in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Ms. Sgambettera invited everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Secretary called the roll and declared that there was a quorum.

I. Administration, Data Management & Technical Services: Mr. Gerald Tamburro
Minutes – January 14, 2014 Reorganization Meeting: Mr. Wallner moved, seconded by Mr. Wong to accept the Minutes as presented. Motion carried.
Financial Report: Mr. Ververides stated that the 2014 budget hearing will be held at the next Board of Chosen Freeholders' meeting; and the 2013 expenses had a $7,000 surplus, which should be turned over to County surplus. Mr. Wong moved to accept the report, seconded by Mr. Pollando Motion carried.
Committee Report: None. Communications: None

II. Environment: Mr. Vincent R. Martino
Committee Report: Ms. Becker stated that the Work Program Progress Report for January was contained in the folder. In connection with the Wastewater Management Plan work, she stated that Governor Christie signed legislation that provides a two-year extension to wastewater service area designations and sewer service area designations, and revised certain aspects of the wastewater management planning process. Staff is preparing a revised timeline for ensuring that the development community, the public, and municipalities have the opportunity to evaluate the 2000 sewer service area map against all proposed site plans and subdivisions to determine if they are wholly consistent and within the boundaries of the 2000 sewer service area map. At the same time, staff is updating the map to be consistent with the latest environmental data layer and will provide the information to all affected...
parties. Staff will meet with each municipality to ensure that when the plan is adopted with the new updated future sewer service area map by March 15, 2015, the greatest number of possible changes that reflect future development projects would have been realized. Mr. Wong moved to accept the committee report, seconded by Freeholder Tomaro. Motion carried.

III. Transportation: Mr. Richard Wallner
Committee Report: Mr. Gambilonghi stated that the Committee Report for January was contained in the folder. Mr. Gambilonghi reported on a pilot program by the Raritan Valley Rail Line to provide direct service to New York. The program will apply to trains arriving at Penn Station, New York between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. weekdays, and leaving New York between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays. This can then lead to expansion of off-peak service in the evening for trains leaving Penn Station between 8 p.m. and 1 a.m. Middlesex County accommodates Raritan Valley Line service at the Dunellen Station, and serves nearby municipalities including Middlesex, Piscataway, and South Plainfield. Mr. Wong moved the report, seconded by Mr. Wallner. Motion carried.

IV. Development Review: Ms. Olga Sgambettera
Committee Report: Mr. Olszewski stated that the Committee Report for January was contained in the folder. The Committee acted on 37 land development requests. When comparing total monetary values received through subdivision and site plan applications, January 2013 received $91,372, and the total for January, 2014 amounted to substantially higher, $193,142. Mr. Wong moved to accept the report as presented, seconded by Mr. Wallner. Motion carried.

V. Comprehensive Planning: Mr. William Thomas
Committee Report: Ms. Becker stated that the Work Program Progress Report for January was contained in the folder. Middlesex County currently has six applications in various stages of the farmland preservation process: the Voight Farm and the Dean Florentino Nursery in South Brunswick; the Reinhardt and Protinick Farms in Cranbury; the Indyk Farm and the EJG Properties at Independence Acres Farms in Monroe. Mr. Wong moved to accept the report as presented, seconded by Mr. Wallner. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:12 p.m. on motions by Messrs. Wong and Wallner.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy K. Power, Secretary

DATED: February 27, 2014