

MEETING OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

Planning Board Meeting Center
40 Livingston Avenue; New Brunswick, NJ

Tuesday, May 12, 2015

Minutes

Those Present:

Ms. Olga Sgambettera, Chairman
Mr. Gerald Tamburro, Vice-Chairman
Freeholder Charles E. Tomaro
Mr. Richard Wallner, County Engineer
Mr. Vincent R. Martino
Mr. Matthew M. Vaughn
Steven D. Cahn, Esq., Counsel
Mrs. Dorothy K. Power, Secretary

Not Present:

Freeholder Director Ronald G. Rios
Mr. William Thomas
Mr. Erik Wong, Alternate

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. David Akins, Piscataway
Councilman Shawn P. Hausserman, Borough of South River

Chairman Sgambettera called the meeting of the Planning Board to order at 3:30 p.m. in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. She 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 – April 14, 2015: Mr. Tamburro moved, seconded by Mr. Wallner, to accept the Minutes as presented. Motion carried.
Financial Report: Mr. Ververides stated that the Financial report for April was contained in the folder. The total for April was over-expended slightly, because of several major purchases for use in future months. Mr. Tamburro moved, seconded by Mr. Wallner, to accept the report. Motion carried.
Committee Report: None. Communications: None

- II. Environment: Mr. Vincent R. Martino
Committee Report: Ms. Becker stated that the Committee Report for April was contained in the folder. In connection with the four future wastewater service area map amendment applications, approved by the Planning Board on April 14, 2015, the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders also approved the amendment applications on April 23, 2015. Ms. Becker presented a Resolution for the Planning Board's consideration to endorse amendment 2015-02 to the Lower Raritan-Middlesex County Water Quality Management Plan to include the Morris Companies, Block 82, Lot 3.10, Monroe Township.

If approved, the Resolution will be forwarded to the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders for its consideration. Mr. Tamburro offered to approve the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Wallner. On roll call, Freeholder Tomaro, Messrs, Martino, Tamburro, Vaughn, Wallner, and Ms. Sgambettera voted Aye. Resolution adopted. Mr. Tamburro moved to accept the report, seconded by Mr. Wallner. Motion carried.

III. Transportation: Mr. Richard Wallner

Committee Report: Mr. Gambilonghi stated that the Committee Report for April was contained in the folder. He reported on a meeting of the Transportation Coordinating Committee (TCC), at which they passed a Resolution to oppose bus fare increases because of a lack of adequate information and public participation. The Committee also opposed the proposed elimination of the Route 655 bus service, and urged the NJ Transit Board of Directors and Governor Christie to consider less regressive sources as a means of new revenue towards anticipated funding shortfalls for NJ Transit. Mr. Tamburro moved to accept the report, seconded by Mr. Wallner. Motion carried.

IV. Development Review: Ms. Olga Sgambettera

Committee Report: Mr. Ververides stated that the Committee Report for April was contained in the folder. The Committee acted on 26 development requests. Total monetary values received through subdivision and site plan applications for year-to-date, down from last year, amounted to \$316,114, with \$897,741 for 2014. Mr. Ververides noted that many of the improvements took place last year, resulting in the lower totals of application fees. Mr. Tamburro moved to accept the report, seconded by Mr. Wallner. Motion carried.

V. Comprehensive Planning: Mr. William Thomas

Committee Report: Ms. Becker stated that the Committee Report for April was contained in the folder. She reported on three current farmland applications, and stated that they are in various stages of the farmland preservation process: the Voight Farm in South Brunswick, the Protinick Farm in Cranbury, and the J.B. Heatherwood Farms in Monroe. Mr. Tamburro moved to accept the report, seconded by Mr. Wallner. Motion carried.

VI. Other Matters: None VII. Public Comments: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m. on motions by Messrs. Tamburro and Wallner.

Respectfully submitted,



Dorothy K. Power, Secretary

Dated: May 19, 2015