

**Franklin Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment**  
**Reorganization Meeting Minutes for**  
**January 7, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by Board Attorney Mr. Dave Brady, Brady & Correale, LLP who then led the assembly in the flag salute.

Mr. Dave Brady read the Statement of Compliance pursuant to the "Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, PL 1975."

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Bonis, Mr. Skellenger, Mr. Kopcsó  
Mrs. Murphy, Mr. Soules, Mr. Kell  
Ms. Fantasia

ABSENT: Mr. Estes

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Dave Brady, Brady & Correale, LLP  
Mr. Ken Nelson, Nelson Consulting Group  
Mr. Tom Knutelsky, Harold E Pellow &  
Associates, Inc.

**ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:** Mr. Brady asked for nominations for Chairman. Mr. Kell made a motion to elect Mrs. Louise Murphy as the Chairman of the Franklin Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment. Seconded by Mr. Skellenger. Mr. Brady asked if there were any other nominations. No further nominations were made.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Bonis, Skellenger, Kopcsó, Soules, Kell, Fantasia (Alt #1)

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: Mrs. Murphy

(Motion Approved)

Mrs. Murphy took over as the 2015 Chairman for the Franklin Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment.

**ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN:** Mrs. Bonis made a motion to elect Mr. Kell as Vice-Chairman of the Franklin Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment. Seconded by Mr. Soules. There were no further nominations.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Bonis, Skellenger, Kopcsó, Murphy, Soules, Fantasia (Alt#1)

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: Mr. Kell

(Motion Approved)

**ELECTION OF SECRETARY:** Mrs. Bonis made a motion to elect Karen Osellame as Secretary for the Franklin Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment. Seconded by Mr. Kell.

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Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Bonis, Skellenger, Kopcso, Murphy, Soules, Kell, Fantasia (Alt#1)

NAYS: None                    ABSTENTIONS: None

(Motion Approved)

**APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY:** Mr. Kell made a motion to appoint David B. Brady, Esq. of the firm Brady and Correale as the Attorney for the Franklin Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment for 2015 at the rate of \$160.00 per hour. Seconded by Mr. Soules.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Bonis, Skellenger, Kopcso, Murphy, Soules, Kell, Fantasia (Alt #1)

NAYS: None                    ABSTENTIONS: None

(Motion Approved)

**APPOINTMENT OF ENGINEER:** Mr. Kopcso made a motion to appoint Thomas G. Knutelsky, P.E. of Harold E. Pellow & Associates as the Engineer for 2015 at the rate of \$122.00 per hour. Seconded by Mrs. Bonis

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Bonis, Skellenger, Kopcso, Murphy, Soules, Kell, Fantasia (Alt #1)

NAYS: None                    ABSTENTIONS: None

(Motion Approved)

**APPOINTMENT OF PLANNER:** Mr. Soules made a motion to appoint Ken Nelson of the Ken Nelson Consulting Group as Board Planner for 2015 at the rate of \$115.00 per hour and any associates time billed at \$90.00 per hour. Seconded by Mr. Skellenger.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Bonis, Skellenger, Kopcso, Murphy, Soules, Kell, Fantasia (Alt #1)

NAYS: None                    ABSTENTIONS: None

(Motion Approved)

**DESIGNATION OF MEETING DATES AND TIMES:** Mr. Kell made a motion to approve the 2015 Meeting Schedule for the Franklin Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment. Seconded by Mrs. Bonis.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Bonis, Skellenger, Kopcso, Murphy, Soules, Kell, Fantasia (Alt #1)

NAYS: None                    ABSTENTIONS: None

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**DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER:** Mr. Kell made a motion to designate The New Jersey Herald and The New Jersey Sunday Herald as the official newspaper of the Franklin Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment. Seconded by Mr. Skellenger.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Bonis, Skellenger, Kopcso, Murphy, Soules, Kell, Fantasia (Alt #1)

NAYS: None                      ABSTENTIONS: None

(Motion Approved)

**ADOPTION OF PROFESSIONAL RESOLUTION:**

Mrs. Bonis made a motion to approve and adopt the "Resolution of the Franklin Zoning Board of Adjustment Ratifying and Authorizing the Award of Contract for Professional Services" for 2015. Seconded by Mr. Kell.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Bonis, Skellenger, Kopcso, Murphy, Soules, Kell, Fantasia (Alt #1)

NAYS: None                      ABSTENTIONS: None

(Motion Approved)

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mr. Kell made a motion to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting of the Franklin Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment at 7:21 PM. Seconded by Mrs. Skellenger. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Osellame  
Secretary