

Franklin Borough Planning Board
Reorganization Meeting Minutes for
January 14, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:24 PM by Board Attorney Mr. Dave Brady, Esq. 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."

Mr. Dave Brady administered the Oath of Allegiance to new appointments to the Planning Board.

Mr. Stephen Skellenger (Class III)
Mr. Jim Williams (Class II)
Mr. Ted Bayles (Alternate 1)
Mr. Raperto (Alternate 2)

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Wes Suckey, Chairman (Present)
Mr. John Christiano, Vice – Chairman (Present)
Mr. Nick Giordano, Mayor (Absent)
Mr. Stephen Skellenger, Councilman (Present)
Mr. Floy Estes (Present)
Mr. Jim Nidelko (Absent)
Mr. Jim Williams (Present)
Mr. John Friend (Present)
Mr. Richard Knop (Absent)
Mr. Ted Bayles, Alternate #1 (Present)
Mr. Michael Raperto, Alternate #2 (Present)
Mr. Stephen DeFinis, Alternate # 3 (Present)
MS. Sharon Schultz, Alternate #4 (Present)

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Dave Brady, Board Attorney
Mr. Ken Nelson, Board Planner
Mr. Tom Knutelsky, Board Engineer

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Christiano nominated Mr. Wes Suckey. Mr. Friend seconded the nomination.

Upon Roll Call Vote

AYES: Friend, Skellenger, Christiano, Williams, Bayles, Raperto, DeFinis

NAYS: Estes ABSTENTIONS: Suckey

(Motion Approved)

Mr. Suckey continued with the meeting and the meeting procedures.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN:

Mr. Williams nominated Mr. John Christiano. Seconded by Mr. Friend.

Upon Roll Call Vote for:

AYES: Friend, EStes, Williams, Skellenger, Suckey, Bayles, Raperto, DeFinis

NAYS: ABSTENTIONS: Christiano

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ELECTION OF SECRETARY:

Mr. Williams made a motion to elect Michelle Babcock as Secretary for the Franklin Borough Planning Board. Seconded by Mr. Friend.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Friend, Estes, Williams, Skellenger, Christiano, Suckey, Bayles, Raperto, DeFinis

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

(Motion Approved)

APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY:

Mr. Williams made a motion to appoint David B. Brady, Esq. as the Attorney for the Franklin Borough Planning Board. Seconded by Mr. Christiano.

Upon Roll Call Vote: Friend, Estes, Williams, Skellenger, Christiano, Suckey, Bayles, Raperto, DeFinis

AYES: NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

(Motion Approved)

APPOINTMENT OF ENGINEER:

Mr. Friend made a motion to appoint Thomas G. Knutelsky, P.E. of Harold E. Pellow & Associates as the Engineer for the Franklin Borough Planning Board. Seconded by Mr. Williams.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Friend, Estes, Williams, Skellenger, Christiano, Suckey, Bayles, Raperto, DeFinis NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

(Motion Approved)

APPOINTMENT OF PLANNER:

Mr. Christiano made a motion to appoint Ken Nelson of the Nelson Consulting Group as the Planner for the Franklin Borough Planning Board. Seconded by Mr. Williams.

Upon Roll Call Vote: Friend, Estes, Williams, Skellenger, Christiano, Suckey, Bayles, Raperto, DeFinis

AYES: NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None

(Motion Approved)

DESIGNATION OF MEETING DATES AND TIMES:

A discussion took place regarding the meeting dates that are scheduled for the first Wednesday and the third Monday of every month. It was decided the regular meeting will be held on the third Monday of every month and the meeting on the first Wednesday of every month will be used as needed. Mr. Suckey stated that he wanted the board to note that the February 19th meeting will be on a Tuesday.

Mr. Williams made a motion to accept the meeting dates as presented in our packet.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Friend, Estes, Williams, Skellenger, Christiano, Suckey, Bayles, Raperto, DeFinis NAYS: Murphy, Williams ABSTENTIONS: None

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DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER:

Mr. Christiano made a motion to designate The New Jersey Herald and The New Jersey Sunday Herald as the official newspaper of the Franklin Borough Planning Board. Seconded by Mr. Williams.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Friend, Estes, Williams, Skellenger, Christiano, Suckey, Bayles, Raperto, DeFinis NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None
(Motion Approved)

ADOPTION OF PROFESSIONAL RESOLUTION:

Mr. Christiano made a motion to approve and adopt the "Resolution of the Franklin Borough Planning Board Ratifying and Authorizing the Award of Contracts for Professional Services". Seconded by Mr. Williams.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Friend, Estes, Williams, Skellenger, Christiano, Suckey, Bayles, Raperto, DeFinis NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None
(Motion Approved)

Please note that Mr. Giordano entered the meeting at 7:31PM

TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE ("TCC")

Mr. Suckey gave a brief description of what the "TCC Committee consists of and explained who attends a TCC meeting. Mr. Suckey stated that he would like to assign two members of the planning Board. One Being Mr. John Christiano as co- chairman of the planning board and he would like to see who would be willing to be on a rotating schedule as far as attending these meetings. Mr. Suckey stated that these particular meetings typically take place in the afternoon on a weekday.

Mr. Estes, Ms. Schultz, Mr Bayles and Mr. Williams volunteered and were put down to be possible board representatives at any potential TCC meetings in the future. On a rotating schedule.

RESOLUTION AND ANNUAL REPORT OF FRANKLIN PLANNING BOARD:

Mr. Christiano made a motion to adopt the Resolution and Annual Report of Franklin Planning Board. Seconded by Mr. Friend.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Friend, Estes, Williams, Skellenger, Christiano, Suckey, Bayles, Raperto, DeFinis NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS: None
(Motion Approved)

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Christiano made a motion to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting at 7:35PM. Seconded by Mr. Giordano.

All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Babcock,

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Board Secretary