

**WHITE TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD
555 CR 519, BELVIDERE, NEW JERSEY**

**MINUTES
MARCH 13, 2012**

The regular meeting of the White Township Planning Board was held on Tuesday, March 13, 2012. Present were: Timothy Matthews, Anthony Wyhopen, Michael Grossmann, Bryan Vande Vrede, Joseph Magnini, Jim Carlson, David Pritchard and Sam Race. Board Members Absent: Jeff Herb, Robert Mackey, and Joseph Phillips. Also present: Board Attorney Richard Dieterly, Board Engineer Paul Sterbenz, and Board Planner Joseph Layton.

CALL TO ORDER:

Anthony Wyhopen called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. He stated that the meeting is being held in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act", with adequate notice to the appropriate newspapers and posting on the Township bulletin board.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Chairman Wyhopen opened the meeting to the public. With there being no public comment, the meeting was closed to the public

Michael Grossmann recused himself and sat in the audience as he has a conflict with both the Warren County and the PCFA application.

NEW BUSINESS:

#762 County of Warren, Block 21, Lot 7.04

Robert Benbrook, Esq. was in attendance on behalf of the County to present a Courtesy Presentation to the Board. He gave a brief overview of the proposal. Also present Engineer Michael Finelli who went on to describe the Branch Packaging Site Plan application that was approved several years ago, along with the proposed Minor Subdivision and County proposal, which was discussed with the Board. Board Engineer Sterbenz stated that plan changes have been made and his comments have been addressed and he is satisfied. Board Attorney Dieterly stated that he has spoken to the Township Attorney in regards to the Developer's Agreement, which will be addressed by Township Attorney Tipton. Board Planner Layton stated that he has no planning issues.

Chairman Wyhopen opened the hearing to the public. With there being no public comment, the hearing was closed to the public.

Mr. Magnini made the motion that the Board has heard the presentation and that they have no objection to the project as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. VandeVrede. In a voice vote, all were in favor.

VOTE: 7 AYES

The motion carried

#763 WCPCFA, Block 34, Lot 17

Glenn Clouser, Esq. was present on behalf of the WCPCFA and he described the solar panel project being proposed. Also present Brianna Sheppard, Project Engineer.

Jim Williams, Director of Operations at WCPCFA addressed the location of the panels and what will be visible/seen from various locations within the Township. The Applicants continued to discuss the proposal and the benefits of the project and the cost savings.

Chairman Wyhopen opened the hearing to the public. With there being no public comment, the hearing was closed to the public.

Mr. Carlson made the motion that the Board has heard the presentation and that they have no objection to the project as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Magnini. In a voice vote, all were in favor.

VOTE: 7 AYES

The motion carried

Mr. Grossmann resumed his position on the Board.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The minutes of the meeting of February 14, 2012, were distributed to all the Board Members prior to the meeting.

Mr. Magnini made the motion to approve the minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. VandeVrede. In a voice vote, all were in favor, except for Mr. Pritchard, who was not present at the February meeting and he abstained.

VOTE: 7 AYES

The motion carried

BILLS:

In a motion made by Mr. Magnini and seconded by Mr. Carlson, the bills were paid, as follows:.

Maser-Planning	266.25	PBOE
Maser-Planning	156.25	PBOE
Maser-Engineering	906.25	PBOE

In a voice vote, all were in favor.

VOTE: 8 AYES

The motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Highlands Update

Mr. Race updated the Board on his conversation with Eileen Swan and the funding questions that were raised at the last meeting. He stated that she said no cost above the model amounts would be considered without prior Highlands approval. Board Planner Layton reviewed the cost of the various Modules and Land Use Ordinance Module. The Board noted that there may be some Highland personnel changes and it was agreed to defer discussion/ action on this matter. The Board also recommended that the Township get a written agreement on the funding issues.

Mr. Carlson made the motion to defer discussion on this matter, until the April meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Magnini. Discussion on the motion: The Board briefly reviewed the status of the various Modules. In a voice vote, all were in favor.

VOTE: 8 AYES

The motion carried.

Solar Ordinance

The Board briefly reviewed and discussed the latest draft Solar Ordinance. Chairman Wyhopen asked that Board Planner Layton re-email and re-circulate the latest draft Ordinance for the Board's consideration next month.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. In a voice vote, all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Alfia Schemm
Board Secretary