

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

**MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 12, 2017**

The regular meeting of the White Township Planning Board was held on Tuesday, September 12, 2017. Present were: Joseph Phillips, Drew Kiszonak, Jeff Herb, Robert Mackey, Sam Race, Timothy Matthews (arriving at 8:12 p.m.) and Michael Grossmann. Board Members Absent: Bryan Vande Vrede, Joseph Magnini and David Pritchard. Also present: Attorney Tara St. Angelo.

CALL TO ORDER:

Board Secretary Schemm called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. She 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. With there being no Chair and Vice-Chair present at the moment, she stated that the Board can begin this evening's meeting with the presentation from Covanta and then move onto the rest of the agenda, when hopefully Chairman Matthews will be in attendance.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Presentation from Covanta Warren Energy Resources Co.

Herman Love, Facility Manager, was present on behalf of Covanta. He stated that he was invited to attend tonight's meeting to address the July 31, 2017 DEP letter. He went on to address the combustion and disposal of non-hazardous waste water (mostly water rinse aids from production lines) classification 72 material. He reviewed the containment, the process, and the permits for temporary and permanent approval. He stated that they have seen a net reduction in emissions with the process. He stated that the facility is heavily regulated and they are an open book.

The meeting was opened to the public.

Malcolm Leslie, Chair of the Environmental Commission, stated that he has several questions that were raised by David Pritchard, who is on vacation. Copies of the questions were photocopied and distributed to the Board Members and the Covanta Representatives. Mr. Leslie had some questions. Elaine Reichart also had questions regarding the process. It was agreed the they would respond to Mr. Pritchard's comments via email.

With there being no further questions, the presentation concluded.

MEMORIALIZING RESOLUTION:

#783 Dorothea and Craig Spencer, Block 56, Lot 1

The Board discussed who is eligible to vote on this matter. Attorney St. Angelo stated that comments were received by the Board Professionals, which she has incorporated into the Resolution. She did note a minor correction. Mr. Matthews arrived.

Mr. Mackey made the motion to adopt the Resolution, as amended. Motion seconded by Mr. Race. In a voice vote, all were in favor, except for Mr. Grossman, Dr. Phillips, and Mr. Matthews, who abstained.

VOTE: 4 AYES

The motion carried.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Chairman Matthews opened the meeting to the public for non-agenda items.

Ms. Reichart noted the issue that was brought up at last month's meeting, in regards to opening the meeting to the public, prior to the adoption of a Resolution, with a material change. She questioned the policy and procedure and she asked if the Board would adopt a policy change to allow the public to comment prior to the adoption of a Resolution with a material change. The Board discussed minimal and major changes and what would require a re-opening of a hearing, with public notice. The Board continued to review the procedure and policy. It was agreed to make no policy change.

Chairman Matthews asked if there was any further public comment. With there being none, the meeting was closed to the public.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The minutes of the July 11, 2017 meeting were distributed to all the Board Members prior to the meeting.

Mr. Mackey made the motion to approve the minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Grossmann. In a voice vote, all were in favor, except for Dr. Phillips, who was not present at the July meeting and he abstained.

VOTE: 6 AYES

The motion carried

The minutes of the August 8, 2017 meeting were distributed to all the Board Members prior to the meeting.

Mr. Mackey made the motion to approve the minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Kiszona. In a voice vote, all were in favor, except for Mr. Grossmann, Mr. Phillips, and Mr. Matthews, who were not present at the August meeting and they abstained.

VOTE: 4 AYES

The motion carried

OTHER:

ECHO Housing Ordinance

The Board then discussed the Ordinance that was introduced by the Township Committee, which eliminates condition #F.

Mr. Mackey made the motion to recommend, to the Township Committee, the adoption of the Ordinance. Motion seconded by Dr. Phillips. In a voice vote, all were in favor, except for Mayor Race and Mr. Herb, who abstained.

VOTE: 5 AYES

The motion carried

TITMAN RD. REZONING

Mayor Race questioned the status of the Titman Road Rezoning. Board Secretary Schemm stated that the matter may still be before the Township Committee.

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BILLS:

Maser-DSM	3142.00	Escrow
Maser-Whitetown Realty	408.00	Escrow
Maser-Spencer	306.00	Escrow
Maser-Whitetown Realty	612.00	Escrow
Maser-Spencer	510.00	Escrow
Maser-General	68.00	PBOE
Gebhardt-General	99.00	PBOE
Gebhardt-General	446.00	PBOE
Gebhardt-Whitetown Realty	1930.50	Escrow
Gebhardt-Beha	148.50	Escrow

In a motion made by Dr. Phillips and seconded by Mr. Mackey, the bills were paid. In a voice vote, all were in favor. Abstaining: Mayor Race

VOTE: 6 AYES

The motion carried.

OTHER:

Nominating Committee

The Board discussed the Board Members presently sitting on the Nominating Committee. It was agreed that Mayor Race, Mr. Herb, and Mr. Pritchard, will be on the Nominating Committee.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. In a voice vote, all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Alfia Schemm
Board Secretary
10/3/17