

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD
PLANNING BOARD**

MINUTES

April 28, 2016

Regular Meeting

Chairman Christopher Garcia opened the April 28, 2016 Regular Meeting of the West Milford Planning Board at **7:35 p.m.** with a reading of the Legal Notice, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Linda Connolly, Andrew Gargano, Warren Gross, Douglas Ott, Geoffrey Syme, Glenn Wenzel, Chairman Christopher Garcia.

Absent: Mayor Bettina Bieri, Steven Castronova, Edward Rosone, Councilman Lou Signorino, Board Attorney Thomas Germinario, Board Engineer Paul Ferriero, Board Planner Chuck McGroarty.

Chairman Garcia advised that a quorum was present to hold this meeting.

PUBLIC PORTION

Chairman Garcia opened the meeting for public comment. With no one present wishing to address the Planning Board, the public portion was **closed** by unanimous vote on a **motion** by Andrew Gargano, with a **second** by Glenn Wenzel.

APPLICATIONS

NEW APPLICATIONS – None.

MEMORIALIZATIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2016 – 10

TIMOTHY KEARNEY

Major Soil Removal/Fill Permit #PB-12-15-03

Block 16801; Lot 6

67 Greendale Drive; R-4 Zone

Granted: Major Soil Removal/Fill Permit approval for previously importing 1,443 cubic yards of fill material to “create a more usable level rear yard” on a residential lot containing a single-family dwelling.

Motion was made by Andrew Gargano, with a **second** by Geoffrey Syme, to **approve** Resolution No. 2016 – 10 approving the Major Soil Removal/Fill Permit #PB-12-15-03 for TIMOTHY KEARNEY.

Eligible to Vote Roll Call:

Yes: Andrew Gargano, Warren Gross, Douglas Ott, Geoffrey Syme, Chairman Christopher Garcia.

No: None.

Motion approved.

NEW OR ONGOING BUSINESS – The Ordinance Committee met prior to the Planning Board meeting to discuss possible amendments to the aquifer testing ordinance and to explore a lot line adjustment ordinance. Chairman Garcia advised that further review is needed prior to bringing these matters before the Board for discussion.

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION – None.

ORDINANCES REFERRED FROM COUNCIL – None.

BOARD PLANNER’S REPORT – None.

BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT – None.

BOARD ENGINEER’S REPORT – None.

MISCELLANEOUS

Approval of Invoices

The Invoices from the Planning Board professionals for the months of February and March 2016 were **unanimously approved** on a **motion** by Andrew Gargano with a **second** by Linda Connolly, with a minor correction to the invoice report noted.

MINUTES

The Minutes from the Planning Board regular meeting of March 24, 2016 were **unanimously approved** by all those present at the subject meeting on a **motion** by Andrew Gargano with a **second** by Geoffrey Syme.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was reviewed by the Board:

Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act Correspondence

1. Highlands Exempt – Exemption #11, WQMP - Not Addressed, dated April 6, 2016, received from the NJDEP, for Orange & Rockland Utilities, Inc. with regard to their revised plan for the 1.75 miles underground electrical distribution circuit project on Macopin, Union Valley, Marshall Hill, and West Shore Roads.

NJ Department of Environmental Protection Correspondence

1. Flood Hazard Area and Freshwater Wetlands Revision approval, dated March 28, 2016, received from the NJDEP, regarding Orange and Rocklands Utilities change in the alignment of the underground electrical distribution circuit within the county owned ROW associated with West Shore Road.

2. Notification from the NJDOT, dated March 31, 2016, that applications are being accepted for the 2016 Safe Routes to Schools Program (SRTS), for infrastructure projects that encourage walking and bicycling to school, encouraging healthy and active lifestyles, and promote projects that will reduce traffic, fuel consumption and air pollution in the vicinity of NJ's primary and middle schools. Projects may include sidewalks, crosswalks, bike lanes, multi-use paths, traffic calming methods and other safety measures for children walking or bicycling to school.

3. Notification from the NJDEP, dated April 21, 2016, advising that the DEP is proposing revisions to septic density standards in the northern New Jersey Highlands Region that will provide modest opportunities for economic growth while maintaining high water quality standards.

4. Notification from the NJDEP, dated March 31, 2016, regarding the West Milford Town Annex/Museum at 1477 Union Valley Road, Block 7621; Lot 7, advising that the Classification Exception Area (CEA) for contaminated ground water has been removed for the site following receipt of ground water sampling results that demonstrates the NJ Ground Water Quality Standards have been achieved, and directing the Township to decommission all monitoring wells that will no longer be used for ground water remediation monitoring.

Miscellaneous Correspondence Received/Sent

1. None.

ADJOURNMENT

Prior to adjourning, the Board Secretary advised that the Awosting Clubhouse amended site plan application would be on the agenda for the May 26, 2016 Planning Board meeting based on the availability of the Board's professionals. The Board concurred that the May 5, 2016 Planning Board meeting should be cancelled.

With no other matters to be brought before the Planning Board, Chairman Garcia **adjourned** the Regular meeting of April 28, 2016 at **7:50 p.m.** on a **motion** made by Geoffrey Syme and a **second** by Glenn Wenzel.

Approved: May 26, 2016

Respectfully submitted by,

Tonya E. Cubby, Secretary