

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD
PLANNING BOARD**

Minutes

**March 8, 2001
Regular Meeting**

The Chairman, Michael Tfank, called the meeting to order at 10:150 p.m. Legal notice read.

ROLL CALL

Present: Paul Donoghue, Andrew Tynan. Alternate: Rich Stecher, Mark Vetter.
Chairman: Michael Tfank. Planning Director: William Drew, P.P.

Absent: Maria Harkey, Robert Moshman, James O'Bryant, Edward Orthouse,
George Spence, Kurt Wagner. Board Attorney: Glenn Kienz, Esq.
Township Engineer: Arthur Vitale, P.E.

Chairman appointed Rich Stecher and Mark Vetter to sit for Edward Orthouse and George Spence.

SMART GROWTH GRANT

Members discussed the recommendation to be made to the Township Council on the selection of one of the professional firms interviewed to conduct the Smart Growth Grant. Chairman, Michael Tfank, advised that based on the methodology used to evaluate the three firms, ACP received 218 points, Heyer & Gruel – 272 points and Alberto & Associates – 329 points. He noted that the weighting process used was a fair and objective process, which is well recognized, and thanked Richard Meany for acting as the moderator.

Rich Stecher noted that the process was very fair and thanked the Board for their input. He opined that Heyer, Gruel's deficiency was in their presentation, but that their package was the best. Paul Donoghue thanked the public for their interest. Mr. Tfank explained that he relied on the written proposals as well as the presentations in making his decision.

MOTION made by Andrew Tynan, seconded by Paul Donoghue, to recommend Alberto & Associates to the Township Council based on the methodology used to evaluate the firms.

On roll call vote: Yes - Paul Donoghue, Andrew Tynan, Rich Stecher, Mark Vetter,
Michael Tfank.
No - None

Recommendation to be sent to the Township Council for their decision on the hiring of a firm. Members discussed how to present recommendation to Council and determined that the Board should present it personally to the Council at its next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by unanimous vote at 10:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace R. Davis
Secretary