

Minutes of the Re-Organization Meeting of the Morris Plains Board of Adjustment held on January 25, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 531 Speedwell Avenue. The following members were present:

Mr. Michael Bozza, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Mark Karr  
Ms. Joan Scaccia  
Mr. David Schulz, Chairman  
Mr. Shaji Eapen  
Mr. Douglas McCabe

Absent: Mr. John Cox  
Mrs. Ruth Mills  
Mr. Robert Webster  
Mr. William Denzler, Borough Planner  
Mr. Leon Hall, Borough Engineer  
Mr. Michael Sullivan, Board Attorney

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bozza. Mr. Bozza made the statement that adequate notice of this meeting has been published and posted in accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Law of 1975, "Open Public Meetings Act."

#### **NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS**

Mr. Bozza turned the meeting over to the Board Secretary for nominations.

#### **NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRMAN**

Mr. Karr nominated Mr. Schulz for the position of Chairman, seconded by Ms. Scaccia.

The Board Secretary asked if there were any additional nominations for this position. Hearing none, she requested a roll call.

Roll Call

Yeas:: Mr. Bozza, Mr. Karr, Ms. Scaccia, Mr. Eapen, Mr. McCabe  
Nays: None  
Absent: Mr. Cox, Mrs. Mills, Mr. Webster  
Abstain: Mr. Schulz

**Motion carried.**

Mr. Schulz thanked the Board for his election as the Chairman.

#### **NOMINATIONS FOR VICE CHAIRMAN**

Ms. Scaccia nominated Mr. Bozza for the position of Vice Chairman, seconded

Mr. Eapen.

The Board Secretary asked if there were any additional nominations for this position. Hearing none, she requested a roll call.

Roll Call

Yeas: Mr. Karr, Ms. Scaccia, Mr. Schulz, Mr. Eapen, Mr. McCabe.

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Cox, Mrs. Mills, Mr. Webster

Abstain : Mr. Bozza

**Motion carried.**

The Board Secretary turned the meeting over to Chairman Schulz.

Mr. Bozza congratulated Mr. Schulz on his election as Chairman of the Board and stated it has been a great pleasure to chair the Board over the past two years, and he looks forward to continuing to work with the Board as Vice Chairman. He offered his assistance to Mr. Schulz on any matter in the future.

Mr. Schulz advised that Mr. Bozza has been re-appointed as Board member for four years, and Mr. McCabe as Alternate No. 2.

#### **APPROVAL OF THE BOARD'S LEGAL REPRESENTATION**

Mr. Schulz commented that the Board must approve legal representation for the calendar year 2016. It was recommended that Michael Sullivan, Esq. continue in his role as the Board's legal representative.

Ms. Scaccia moved that Michael Sullivan, Esq. be approved as the Board's 2016 legal representative, seconded by Mr. Bozza.

Roll Call

Yeas: Mr. Bozza, Mr. Karr, Ms. Scaccia, Mr. Eapen,  
Mr. McCabe, Mr. Schulz

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Cox. Mrs. Mills, Mr. Webster

**Motion carried.**

#### **APPROVAL OF BOARD SECRETARY**

Mr. Schulz stated the next item of business was the approval of the Board Secretary, Karen Coffey, for the calendar year 2016.

Mr. Bozza moved that Karen Coffey be approved as Board Secretary for 2016, seconded by Mr. Eapen

Mr. Schulz thanked Mrs. Coffey for her years of service to the Board. He also thanked all the Board Professionals for their continued service to the Board.

Roll Call

Yeas: Mr. Bozza, Mr. Karr, Ms. Scaccia,  
Mr. Eapen, Mr. McCabe, Mr. Schulz

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Cox, Mrs. Mills, Mr. Webster

Abstain: None

**Motion carried.**

**APPROVAL OF 2016 MEETING DATES**

Mr. Schulz stated the next order of business is to adopt the Resolution to approve meeting dates for 2016, Board of Adjustment Resolution #16-01- **“Notice of Meeting Dates”**.

**BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT-RESOLUTION NO. 16-01**

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**BOROUGH OF MORRIS PLAINS**

**MORRIS COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Adjustment of the Borough of Morris Plains, County of Morris and State of New Jersey, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016 as follows:

1. *The Morris Daily Record* and the *Morris News Bee* (or, as an alternate to the *Morris News Bee*, the *Star Ledger*), are hereby designated as the two newspapers to receive notice of meetings as required by any and all sections of the Open Public Meetings Act, it appearing that said newspapers are most likely to inform the local public of such meetings.
2. The location for posting of notice of meetings shall be the bulletin board in the Borough Hall, 531 Speedwell Avenue, Morris Plains, New Jersey where notices of this kind are normally posted.
3. The schedule attached hereto and made a part hereof entitled "Notice of Scheduled Meetings for the remainder of the year 2016" is hereby adopted and the Secretary of this Board is authorized and directed within seven (7) days of this scheduled meeting to: (a) post said meeting schedule and maintain the same posted throughout the year on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall, 531 Speedwell Avenue, Morris Plains, New Jersey; (b) mail a copy of the same to the Morris County Daily Record and the Morris News Bee; (c) mail a copy of the same to those persons who may request such mailing provided they comply with the regulations providing for the mailing of such notices; (d) the sum of \$5.00 per notice is hereby fixed as the amount to be paid by any persons requesting individual notice of meetings as provided in Section 14 of the Open Public

Meetings Act; and file a copy of said schedule with the Clerk of the Borough of Morris Plains. The Morris Plains Board of Adjustment has their meeting date on the fourth Monday of every month except for November and December when the meeting is scheduled for the third Monday.

**NOTICE OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS FOR REMAINDER OF THE YEAR  
2016**

**Please take notice that the Board of Adjustment of the Borough of Morris Plains will meet to discuss or act upon public business at 7:30 P.M. prevailing time on each of the dates set forth below in the Council Chambers at 531 Speedwell Avenue, Morris Plains, New Jersey: February 22<sup>nd</sup>, March 28<sup>th</sup>, April 25<sup>th</sup>, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, June 27<sup>th</sup>, July 25<sup>th</sup>, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, September 26<sup>th</sup>, October 24<sup>th</sup>, November 21<sup>st</sup>, December 19<sup>th</sup> and January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017.**

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Mrs Scaccia moved that Board of Adjustment Resolution 16-01 be approved seconded by Mr. Bozza.

Roll Call

Yeas: Mr. Bozza, Mr. Karr, Ms. Scaccia,  
Mr. Eapen, Mr. McCabe, Mr. Schulz

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Cox, Mrs. Mills, Mr. Webster

Abstain: None

**Motion carried.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Schulz stated the next matter for action at this meeting is the approval of the Board minutes for the November 23, 2015 meeting

Mr. Bozza moved to approve the minutes of the November 23, 2015 Regular Meeting, seconded by Mr. Eapen.

Roll Call

Yeas: Mr. Bozza, Mr. Karr, Ms. Scaccia, Mr. Eapen

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Cox, Mrs. Mills, Mr. Webster

Abstain: Mr. Schulz, Mr. McCabe

**Motion carried.**

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Mr. Schulz opened the meeting to the public to speak on matters other than those on the agenda. Seeing no one, he closed the public portion of the meeting.

## **CORRESPONDENCE AND BILLS**

There was no correspondence and no bills.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Bozza advised that Mayor Druetzler had paid a visit to one or more of the residents on Dayton Road to further explain the approval of the application to allow the construction of the bank at the corner of Dayton Road and Speedwell Avenue and to assure that the Borough will be responsive to any concerns that occur in the future.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Schulz asked for a volunteer to prepare the annual report. Mr. Karr offered to prepare this report.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Ms. Scaccia moved the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Mr. McCabe. Voice vote. All in favor. **Motion carried.**

Karen M. Coffey  
Commission Secretary

Maureen Sullivan  
Recording Secretary