



Meeting Minutes
January 4, 2016

Members

Present – David Zeni, Vince Domidion, Thomas Hennessy, David Kostka and Michael Tormey

Absent – Frank Esposito, Mary Massey (excused) and Associate Member John Vig

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mr. Zeni, who read the following statement. “In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, public notice of this meeting has been provided by publication of an annual notice in the Asbury Park Press and posting of this notice on the bulletin board at Town Hall.”

On a motion by Mr. Domidion, seconded by Mr. Zeni, the minutes of the December 7, 2015 meeting were approved with the following corrections: Page 1, para. 4, Long Term Planning should be Long Range Planning; Page 2, para. 2, “build” should be “built”; and Page 3, para. 2, insert “do not” between “proposed rules” and “recognize interdependency.”

Orchards Shopping Center, PB703B, Block 46, Lots 13 & 14, State Route 34 & County Route 537, has submitted an application for the addition of five medical examining rooms, which would require ten additional parking spaces. Applicant is seeking a variance to increase the number of examining rooms without additional parking spaces. This is not an environmental problem.

Amboy Road Associates, PB719, Block 39, Lot 11.01, County Route 537 & Lakeview, have submitted an application for a 7-lot subdivision. Arsenic was discovered in the soil and the Planning Board requested that the applicant have more samples taken at more and different locations and at deeper soil levels. The original samples were from 6”, 12” and 18”. A report from a different company has now been submitted with a new analysis of the same borings, plus some deeper borings, stating that arsenic occurs on this property as “natural background conditions.” The property consists of Colts Neck, Collington and Tinton soils, all of which are known to be glauconitic and contain organic arsenic. Mr. Domidion pointed out that agricultural arsenic is applied as lead arsenate, and that only arsenic, not lead, has been found on this site. The Planning Board has not accepted the new report. Mr. Zeni will write a letter to the Planning Board recommending that they withhold judgement until the Township Engineer has examined the report.





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LIAISON REPORT

None.

OLD BUSINESS

The application of Matthew Kaufman, Block 31, Lot 4, 460 State Route 34, to lift restrictions of the conservation easement on his property was heard by the Township Committee. Mr. Kaufman objected to the recommendations that were offered by the Environmental Commission, and brought an attorney to the meeting. In particular, Mr. Kaufman sought permission to rebuild the garage that is in the easement and on the property line, in the event of its destruction. The Township Committee did not grant that exception. The only exception from the Commission's recommendation that was allowed was to move the fence back two feet, but applicant is not allowed to retain the existing pathway in the easement.

Mr. Kostka remarked that there is no ordinance in regard to the responsibility for payment of professional fees in a situation such as this one. He suggested that Long-Range Planning draft such an ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS

The attached meeting schedule was adopted for 2016.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

On a motion by Mr. Kostka, seconded by Mr. Domidion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:41 PM. The next meeting will be at 7:30 PM on Monday, February 1.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Terry, Secretary





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2016 MEETING SCHEDULE

Monday, January 4, 2016

Monday, February 1, 2016

Monday, February 29, 2016

Monday, April 4, 2016

Monday, May 2, 2016

Monday, June 6, 2016

Wednesday, July 6, 2016

Monday, August 1, 2016

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Monday, October 3, 2016

Monday, November 7, 2016

Monday, December 5, 2016

Tuesday, January 3, 2017

