

**WASHINGTON BOROUGH PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON
NOVEMBER 10, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Washington Borough Planning Board was called to order by Chairman Boyle at 8:00 P.M. in the second floor Court Room of the Borough Hall. Mr. Boyle read the following statement into the record: "The requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Law", P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, have been satisfied in that adequate notice of this meeting has been published in the Star Gazette and posted on the Bulletin Board of the Borough Hall stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting as required by law." Chairman Boyle led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OATH OF OFFICE:

New member Dan Aron was sworn in by Attorney Ours.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Post, Aron, VanDeursen, Opdyke
Jewell, Corica, Boyle
Absent: Turner, Truman
Also Present: Stuart Ours, Attorney
William Gleba, Board Engineer
Chuck Latini, Planner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Meeting of October 20, 2008: No comments. Therefore it was moved by Post, seconded by Jewell to approve minutes as presented.

ROLL CALL: Post, Aron, VanDeursen,
Opdyke, Jewell, Corica, Boyle
Ayes: 7; Nays: 0; Abstentions: 0
Motion carried.

APPLICATION: None

RESOLUTIONS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Gary Pohorely not in attendance at this time. Will table until he arrives.

OLD BUSINESS:

Redevelopment – Chuck Latini:

Input meeting – Public hearing opened.

Six different areas identified. Broken down into two main areas: core and gateway.

Sub-area 1: Star Plaza/Church/No Lincoln – rearrangement of building would create 10-15% more parking

Sub-area 2: Belvidere Ave/Washington Ave/School Street – Marianne VanDeursen stated that she would like to see the already approved plan for parking lot be put on concept plan. Opportunity for a parking deck in this area is available.

Sub-area 3: Rt. 31/Rt 57 intersection (eastern Gateway) – Will have to deal with DOT. Marianne asked if additional support would help with the decision making of DOT. Chuck stated most likely. Bob Opdyke asked if DOT contributes to projects like this one. Chuck stated that there is money available. Chairman Boyle noted that this area might be the last area completed.

Sub-area 4 & 5: Washington Ave/Broad St/Alleger – stream buffer area as open space. John Corica asked if this area can be used towards flood mitigation. Chuck stated that he will put it on the plan. Parking behind buildings. Two possible deck locations in this area.

Sub-area 6: Washington Ave/So Lincoln/Broad St (western Gateway) – 85+ more spaces by redesigning parking lot. Building use for medical/professional arts.

Planning Board will see concept plans from developers. Development agreements will be made with Council. Height requirements: minimum 2.5 stories with maximum 4 stories. Possible option for 5th story on a percentage of building.

Public hearing closed.

Bob Opdyke left at 9:22 p.m.

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New Business:

Gary Pohorely – Shabbecong Creek Project:

Gary handed out a goals/current information sheet to Board members. Wants to improve water quality. Discussed ideas to meet goals. Will be talking to DEP and Highlands Council for information and guidance.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES: None

UNAGENDIZED STATEMENTS:

Holiday dinner: 7 p.m. on 12/6/08 at Apple Mountain.

Redevelopment Committee: minutes of meetings to be kept on file with Borough clerk.

COMMUNICATIONS:

No discussion

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by Patricia L. Titus, Planning Board