

**WASHINGTON BOROUGH PLANNING BOARD  
MINUTES OF REORGANIZATION MEETING HELD ON  
JANUARY 13, 2014**

The reorganization meeting of the Washington Borough Planning Board was called to order by Chair VanDeursen at 8:00 P.M. in the second floor Court Room/Council Chambers of the Borough Hall. Chair VanDeursen 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." Chair VanDeursen led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

New member Keith Gonzales and reappointed members, Pat Post and Ethel Conry, were sworn in before the meeting.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Conry, Post, Aron, Turner, Pohorely,  
Frascella, Gonzales, VanDeursen  
Absent: Aron, McDonald  
Also Present: Steve Gruenberg, Board Attorney  
Gene Weber, Board Engineer

**PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS:**

Attorney for 2014: It was moved by Turner, seconded by Post to appoint Steve Gruenberg as Board Attorney for 2014. All in favor.

Engineer for 2014: It was moved by Post seconded by Turner to appoint Finelli Consulting Engineers as Board Engineer for 2014. All in favor.

Planner for 2014: It was moved by Post, seconded by Conry to appoint Heyer, Gruel & Associates as Board Planner for 2014. All in favor.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

Nominations were opened and it was moved by Frascella, seconded by Post to nominate Marianne VanDeursen as Board Chair. All in favor.

Nominations were opened and it was moved by Post, seconded by VanDeursen to nominate Gary Pohorely as Board Vice Chair. All in favor.

Nominations were opened and it was moved by Turner, seconded by Conry to nominate Pat Post as Board Secretary. All in favor.

Nominations were opened and it was moved by Frascella, seconded by Post to nominate Andrew Turner as Board Assistant Secretary. All in favor.

**APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES:**

Budget/Finance: Pat Post/Dan Aron

Soil: Gary Pohorely/Dan Frascella

Technical Review: Marianne VanDeursen/Scott McDonald/Andrew Turner/Keith Gonzales

**REORGANIZATION RESOLUTIONS:**

Open Public Meetings Act: It was moved by Post, seconded by Conry to adopt the Open Public Meetings Act Resolution. All in favor.

Meeting Dates: It was moved by Turner, seconded by Frascella to adopt the 2014 meeting dates. All in favor.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Meeting of December 9, 2013: No comments. Therefore, it was moved by Conry seconded by Post to approve the minutes as presented.

ROLL CALL: Conry, Post, Turner, Pohorely,  
Frascella, Gonzales, VanDeursen  
Ayes:5; Nays:0; Abstentions:2 (Turner, Gonzales)  
Motion carried.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Meeting of December 16, 2013: No comments. Therefore, it was moved by Frascella seconded by Post to approve the minutes as presented.

ROLL CALL: Conry, Post, Turner, Pohorely,  
Frascella, Gonzales, VanDeursen  
Ayes:5; Nays:0; Abstentions:2 (Turner,Gonzales)  
Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION:**

Towne Center at Washington:

Attorney Gruenberg discussed the Resolution. Applicant was provided copy for comments. Mr. Cohen noted some typos. No comments from Mr. Rice. Small changes noted by Gene Weber on page 12 item F – should clarify easements regarding Lot 5; item G – change wording; page 4 item #10 – change wording. Motion by Post, seconded by Conry to adopt the Resolution with changes.

ROLL CALL: Conry, Post, Turner, Pohorely,  
Frascella, Gonzales, VanDeursen  
Ayes:5; Nays:0; Abstentions:2(Turner, Gonzales)  
Motion carried

Chair VanDeursen asked about the time frame for starting construction. Ray stated that they would probably start in May.

**APPLICATIONS: None**

**OLD BUSINESS: None**

**NEW BUSINESS: None**

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES: None**

Close public portion.

**UNAGENDIZED STATEMENTS:**

Welcome to new member, Keith Gonzales.

Andrew Turner asked about the Paramount property. Windows are too short compared to the other buildings. Who is in charge of enforcing the redevelopment plan. Attorney Gruenberg stated that the zoning office would be in charge of enforcing. Gene Weber stated that if it is an aesthetic issue, it should be the planner. Keith Gonzales stated that the BID asked him to check other buildings owned by Paramount.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Receive and file. All in favor.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted by Patricia L. Titus, Planning Board Clerk