

**WASHINGTON BOROUGH PLANNING BOARD  
MINUTES OF REORGANIZATION MEETING HELD ON  
JANUARY 12, 2015**

The regular 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.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present:	Conry, Post, Aron, McDonald, Turner, Pohorely, Frascella, VanDeursen
Absent:	Gonzales
Also Present:	Steven Gruenberg, Attorney Stan Schrek, Board Engineer Chris Dochery, Board Planner

**OATH OF OFFICE:**

Gary Pohorely and Ethel Conry were sworn in before the start of the meeting.

**PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS FOR 2015:**

Attorney, Engineer, Planner and Special Engineer for 2015: It was moved by McDonald, seconded by Conry to appoint Attorney Steven Gruenberg as Planning Board attorney, Stan Schrek as Board Engineer, Heyer, Gruel & Associates as Board Planner and Suburban Consulting Engineering as Board Special Engineer.

ROLL CALL: Conry, Post, Aron, McDonald, Turner,  
Pohorely, Frascella, VanDeursen  
Ayes: 8; Nays: 0; Abstentions: 0  
Motion carried

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

Nomination for Planning Board Chair. Motion by Post, seconded by Frascella to nominate Marianne VanDeursen as Planning Board Chair. Motion to close. All in favor. Motion to appoint Marianne VanDeursen as Chair. All in favor.

Chair VanDeursen conducted the nomination process for Planning Board Vice-Chair. Motion by VanDeursen, seconded by Post to nominate Gary Pohorely as Planning Board Vice Chair. Motion to close. All in favor. Motion to appoint Gary Pohorely as Vice-Chair. All in favor.

Chair VanDeursen conducted the nomination process for Planning Board Secretary. Motion by Aron, seconded by Frascella to nominate Pat Post as Planning Board Secretary. Motion to close. All in favor. Motion to appoint Pat Post as Board Secretary. All in favor.

Chair VanDeursen conducted the nomination process for Planning Board Assistant Secretary. Motion by Aron, seconded by McDonald to nominate Dan Frascella as Planning Board Assistant Secretary. Motion to close. All in favor. Motion to appoint Dan Frascella 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

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**REORGANIZATION RESOLUTIONS:**

The Board agreed to change the meeting start time to 7:30 p.m. Corrections to be made to meeting schedule, etc. Motion by Aron, seconded by Post to change the meeting time to 7:30 p.m., and adopt the reorganization resolutions.

ROLL CALL: Conry, Post, Aron, McDonald, Turner,  
Pohorely, Frascella, VanDeursen  
Ayes: 8; Nays: 0; Abstentions: 0  
Motion carried

Open Public Meetings Act Resolution: It was moved by Turner, seconded by Post to adopt the Open Public Meetings Act Resolution.

ROLL CALL: Conry, Post, Aron, McDonald, Turner,  
Pohorely, Frascella, VanDeursen  
Ayes: 8; Nays: 0; Abstentions: 0  
Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Regular Meetings of December 8, 2014, and December 15, 2014 : Andrew Turner requested that he be referred to in the minutes as Mr. Turner. Therefore, it was moved by McDonald seconded by Post to approve the minutes.

ROLL CALL: Conry, Post, Aron, McDonald, Turner,  
Pohorely, Frascella, VanDeursen  
Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; Abstentions: 1 (Aron-12/8  
meeting only)  
Motion carried.

Executive Session meetings of December 8, 2014, and December 15, 2014: It was moved by McDonald, seconded by Post to approve the minutes.

ROLL CALL: Conry, Post, Aron, McDonald, Turner,  
Pohorely, Frascella, VanDeursen  
Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; Abstentions: 1 (Aron-12/8  
meeting only)  
Motion carried

**RESOLUTION: None**

**APPLICATIONS: None**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Draft letter to Paramount Assets: Mayor McDonald stated that he had received an email from Mr. Dunn. An architect will provide options for correcting windows. Attorney Gruenberg stated that he reviewed the draft letter and found no issues except a few typos. Mr. Turner explained the situation to Mr. Schrek. It was moved by McDonald, seconded by Post to send the letter with corrections. All in favor.

Comments to Council on proposed enforcement procedures: tabled to the February meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS: None**

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES: None**

Public portion opened

Mr. Krashefsky, So. Lincoln Ave., came before the Board to discuss the Towne Center application. He lives across the street from the exit onto South Lincoln. He stated that he did not recall receiving a notice and asked if any water testing had been completed. Attorney Gruenberg explained the notice procedure and stated that an OPRA request would need to be filed for water testing information, if any. Any dispute with the applicant should be discussed with the applicant, not the Planning Board.

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Peter Higgins of 28 So. Lincoln Ave., came before the Board. He wanted the Board to know that they will be signing any documents in regard to the Towne Center project.

Public portion closed. All in favor.

**UNAGENDIZED STATEMENTS:**

Welcome to Stan Schrek and welcome back reappointed professionals.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

No discussion.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Patricia L. Titus, Planning Board Clerk