

**WASHINGTON BOROUGH PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD ON
MARCH 14, 2016**

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,
Frascella, VanDeursen
Absent: Turner, Vacancy
Also Present: Steven Gruenberg, Attorney
Stan Schrek, Board Engineer
Dawson Bloom, Borough Engineer

Pohorely, Frascella, VanDeursen
Ayes: 9; Nays: 0; Abstentions: 0
Motion carried

Gary Pohorely in another meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meetings of January 11, 2016: It was moved by Conry seconded by Post to approve the minutes as presented.

ROLL CALL: Conry, Post, Aron, McDonald,
Frascella, VanDeursen
Ayes: 6; Nays: 0; Abstentions: 0
Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: None

APPLICATIONS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Towne Center Coverage & Disturbance:

Dawson Bloom updated the Board on the revised plans. The NJDEP received concerns from residents regarding the stormwater management. They met with the DEP and the applicant. The applicant agreed to changes which includes the elimination of two parking spaces. Attorney Gruenberg stated that if there are changes from the ordinance than the applicant will need to submit an amended application.

Gary Pohorely arrived at 7:37 pm.

Mr. Bloom stated that the NJDOT wants to review the plan change to determine if modification to access to Rt. 57 is needed or if they will consider a "no interest" change. Mr. Bloom will send the updated plans to the DOT. The clerk will advise Mr. Rice that an amended application will have to be filed due to the changes and loss of two parking spaces.

Public portion:

Peter Michel, 28 So Lincoln Ave, came forward and asked about the plan changes. Attorney Gruenberg stated that any questions regarding the changes should wait for the applicant when he is here for the public hearing. Mr. Michel asked who made the revisions. Mr. Bloom stated that the applicant made the changes with review by the Borough Engineer and the NJDEP. Mr. Michel stated that he would like the minutes from the executive session. The public hearing notice procedure was reviewed with Mr. Michel.

Public portion closed.

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REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES: None

UNAGENDIZED STATEMENTS: None

COMMUNICATIONS:

No discussion. Motion to receive and file. All in favor.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:45 pm. for the purpose of discussion of litigation. All in favor. Attorney Gruenberg announced that the minutes of the Executive Session will be kept and released after litigation has ended.

The Board moved out of Executive Session. All in favor.

No action was taken by the Board regarding pending litigation.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Patricia L. Titus, Planning Board Clerk