

**Joint Land Use Board
1200 Mountain Ave., Middlesex, NJ 08846
Minutes
October 28, 2020**

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Conahan called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

2. Open Public Meeting Act Statement

Chairperson Conahan read the Open Public Meeting Act Statement.

3. Roll Call

The following members were present:

CLASS IV MEMBERS:
FRANK RYAN DEC/2020 [PRESENT] MARK KRANZ DEC/2023 [PRESENT]
MARTIN QUINN DEC/2021 [PRESENT] MICHAEL CONAHAN DEC/2022 [PRESENT]
ROBERT SHERR DEC/2022 [PRESENT] PAUL WOSKA DEC/2023 [PRESENT]
JOSEPH DESCENZA DEC/2021 [PRESENT] ALTERNATE 1
JOE CARUSO DEC/2021 [PRESENT] ALTERNATE 2

STEPHEN GRECO DEC/2020 [PRESENT] CLASS I MEMBER
ROBERT DESSINO DEC/2020 [PRESENT] CLASS II MEMBER
JEREMIAH CARNES DEC/2020 [PRESENT] CLASS III MEMBER

Also present Board Attorney: Mr. William Robertson
Zoning Officer: Mr. Joe Costa

4. Approval of Minutes

Member Sherr made a motion to approve the October 14, 2020 meeting minutes, seconded by Member Descenza. Vote: All in favor. Motion passed.

5. New Business

A. Plan Review for Middlesex Fire Dept

David Bird, Robert Pollara, and Shawn Young representing the Middlesex Fire Department asked that in addition to the County Fire Marshal reviewing the applications for the Joint Land Use Board that they would like to review applications. The Board supported this request and directed the Board Clerk to send applications to the Fire Department as well as the County Fire Marshal.

B. Discussion of Tree Replacement Fees

Jason Bond of the Shade Tree Commission stated his education and credentials. The Board discussed having the Shade Tree Commission also review applications to see if suggestions could be made for types of trees to be planted, or recommending trees that could be saved. The Board asked if the Shade Tree Commission would look at the fees for Tree Replacement. The Board looked at the Middlesex Tree Ordinance and compared the Somerville, Warren and Edison ordinances to Middlesex. Jason Bond handed out tree information packets to the Board Members.

The Board discussed adding the Fire Department and Tree Commission to the checklist for the Board.

C. Discussion of Application and Escrow Fees

The fees were updated last year so there were no recommendations at this time.

6. Old Business

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Robert Pollara Jr.
811 Mountain Ave
Block 307 Lot 60 & 61

Memorialize Resolution

Member Greco made a motion to approve the Resolution with the correction to the second page, seconded by Member Woska. Vote: Chairperson Conahan-yes, Member Woska-yes, Member Ryan-yes, Member Kranz-yes, Member Sherr-yes, Member Quinn-yes, Member Carnes-yes, Member Dessino-yes, Member Greco-yes, Member Descenza-yes, Member Caruso-yes. Motion passed.

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Robert Templin
59 Warrenton Rd.
Block 5 Lot 9

Memorialize Resolution

Member Quinn made a motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Member Sherr. Vote: Chairperson Conahan-yes, Member Woska-yes, Member Ryan-yes, Member Kranz-yes, Member Sherr-yes, Member Quinn-yes, Member Carnes-yes, Member Dessino-yes, Member Greco-yes, Member Descenza-yes, Member Caruso-yes. Motion passed.

7. Correspondence

A. Resolution Adopting Emergency Remote Meeting Protocol

Member Descenza made a motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Member Kranz. Vote: Chairperson Conahan-yes, Member Woska-yes, Member Ryan-yes,

Member Kranz-yes, Member Sherr-yes, Member Quinn-yes, Member Carnes-yes, Member Dessino-yes, Member Greco-yes, Member Descenza-yes, Member Caruso-yes. Motion passed.

Chairperson Conahan opened the meeting to the public, there being no public comments he closed the public portion of the meeting.

The Board reviewed the upcoming meetings.

Mr. Joe Costa, Zoning Officer, informed the Board Members that in August 2019 the Governing Body adopted Chapter 224 Flood Management, this will affect residents when applying for permits. The residents will be asked if in the flood plain, based on type of review there will be additional fees for Engineer to review applications. Residents will be asked for Flood Elevations, this will add time and additional fees to the permit process.

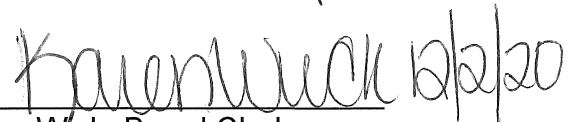
Member Woska also is a member of the Green Brook Flood Commission, explained the wall project and the biggest obstacle is the acquisition of property with lawsuits between the Federal Government and the homeowners.

Mr. Robertson stated that there was no update on the litigation lawsuit.

There being no further business Member Descenza made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:18pm,seconded by Member Greco. Vote: All in favor. Meeting adjourned.



Michael Conahan, Chairman



Karen Wick, Board Clerk