## PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

## October 14, 2013

On the above date at the Port Republic Fire Hall, 116 Blakes Lane, Port Republic, New Jersey, Planning Board Chairman John Fallucca called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and made a statement in compliance with Sunshine Law.

## Roll Call

Members Present; Steven Allgeyer, Nick Capille, John Fallucca, Gail Haviland, Robert Haviland, Barry Horas, Jack Kelly, Virginia Laird, and Councilwoman Donna Riegel.

Board Secretary Vicki Cantell Board Attorney: Mike Fitzgerald

Members Absent: Mayor Gary Giberson

<u>Minutes</u> - On the motion of Mr. Haviland, second of Mrs. Riegel and carried unanimously to accept the minutes of August 12, 2013 with the correction of deleting paying of bills.

<u>City Council Report</u> - Mrs. Riegel reported that there will be a meeting regarding the South Jersey Gas franchise at the school at 6:30 tomorrow. They are apparently 80 homes short of meeting their minimum requirement.

**NEW BUSINESS** - None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

<u>Flood Damage Prevention</u> - The Sandy/FEMA compliance ordinance was revised to agree with State legislation to raise the flood elevations, addressing the existing non-conforming properties and a waiver of fees. While the fees are being waived, escrow must still be submitted to cover professional fees.

On the motion of Mrs. Haviland, second of Mr. Allgeyer voting to have the Planning Board recommend to City Council that the ordinance be adopted. Mrs. Riegel abstained.

<u>Heck</u> – Mr. Heck was not in attendance but had contacted the secretary regarding his block 5 property and requesting a letter from the Building Official stating that his property is a non-conforming use. While we do not know the purpose of such a letter the Board instructed the secretary to inform Mr. Heck that he can raise his building straight up within the existing footprint. He cannot move it however.

Taylor – Mr. Howard Taylor appeared before the Board concerning constructing a shop/garage behind his home. After much discussion and plan review it was agreed that the proposed structure was only 6 inches above the height restrictions and the Board would approve this very minor issue.

**CORRESPONDENCE** – None received.

**ADJOURNMENT** – On the motion of Mr. Horas, second of Mrs. Laird and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Cantell Board Secretary