

PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

August 9, 2021

On the above date Chairman Barry Horas called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and made a statement in compliance with Sunshine Law.

Roll Call

Members Present: Kathy Brady, Gail Haviland, Robert Haviland, Barry Horas, Joe Martin, Donna Riegel and Board Secretary Vicki Cantell

Absent: Kevin Cain, Interim Mayor Stan Kozlowski, Doreen Kelly, Board Attorney Joe McGroarty, Bill Montag, and Paul Smisek.

Minutes – On the motion of Gail Haviland second of Joe Martin and carried unanimously to accept the minutes of May 10, 2021.

City Council Report – Donna Reigel reminded the members that on Saturday at 6 PM that City Hall would be dedicated to retired Mayor Gary Giberson in recognition of his long career and his extensive work in the building of City Hall.

NEW BUSINESS

Atlantic County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan – Vicki Cantell, who has been working with the City Clerk's office on updating this plan, explained that 23 cities in Atlantic County participate in attempting to anticipate potential needs to protect both private and city properties along with city infrastructure and the environment. This plan must be updated regularly to ensure that the City is eligible for public grants. The draft was presented for the Board's input/suggestions. The Board stated that the plan appears to be thorough and well-thought out. They had no suggestions nor additions.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Tom Darcy accompanied Robert Adams with son Bobby and his wife Kim to informally request information about a possible minor subdivision for Block 21 Lot 16. The Adams family have been city residents for ten generations and Bobby would like to return to town. The property is zoned Rural Residential requiring 1 acre with no environmental limitations. The property is 2.8 acres and Bobby would like to build a ranch home on one acre of the lot. They would like to move the lot line back to its 1950s position. They can meet the set-backs for the home but would need two variances: 1 for lot frontage and 1 for side lot. The reduced frontage would be consistent with the appearance of neighboring properties. After some questions and discussion, the Board felt that it might be possible.

OLD BUSINESS - none

CORRESPONDENCE – None

BILLS – On the motion of Gail Haviland, second of Kathy Brady and carried by unanimous roll call vote to pay the secretary.

ADJOURNMENT – On the motion of Donna Riegel, second of Joe Martin and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Vicki L. Cantell, Board Secretary