

PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

May 12, 2025

On the above date Planning Board Chairman Barry Horas called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. After the Flag Salute he made a statement in compliance with Sunshine Law.

Roll Call

Members Present: Kathy Brady, Mayor Niki Giberson, Barry Horas, Joe Martin, Robert Haviland, Donna Riegel, Paul Smisek, Building Official Rich Stevens by phone and Board Secretary Vicki Cantell.

Members Absent: Board Attorney Joe McGroarty, Bill Montag and Gail Haviland,.

Minutes – On the motion of Kathy Brady, second of Bob Haviland and carried unanimously to accept the minutes of April 7, 2025 with the corrections that Bob Haviland was not in attendance and the typos that should be swales instead if swells and contract instead of contact.

City Council Report – Ms. Reigel stated that Council has convened a committee to revisit the previously approved Area in Need of Redevelopment, Block 6 Lot 51 across from Port Store, for possible uses.

NEW BUSINESS - None

OLD BUSINESS

R & R Holdings Block 24 Lot 23

On the motion of Mayor Giberson, second of Joe Martin, and carried by unanimous roll call vote to approve the resolution as submitted.

Affordable Housing Concerns – Mayor Giberson reminded the Board that the Master Plan Update is due next year and asked for suggestions on potential areas that could be used. There were a number of places suggested. The possibility of using a type of averaging similar to what is used for wetlands was brought up, possibly using the Green Acres 76 acres that is partially in Galloway but owned by Port. The Mayor will look into the feasibility of the suggestions.

The status of Port Store was questioned. The Mayor noted that there was a change of case manager at the state level and somehow the file has been misplaced. The owner therefore has to start over. Port Store has been closed for nine years and it will likely take quite a bit longer.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – There was no one in attendance.

BILLS – There were no bills.

ADJOURNMENT – On the motion of Donna Riegel, second of Mayor Giberson and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Vicki L. Cantell, Board Secretary