

**BOROUGH OF FAR HILLS**  
Planning Board Re-organization Meeting  
**MINUTES**  
January 4, 2021  
VIA REMOTE MEETING ACCESS ONLY

**CALL TO ORDER**

Attorney Peter Henry called the virtual meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and read the Open Public Meetings statement in accordance with the law.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Attorney Henry led the Pledge of Allegiance

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Robert Lewis, Tom Rochat, Mayor Paul Vallone, Councilwoman Sheila Tweedie, Kevin Welsh, Richard Rinzler, Marilyn Layton and Suzanne Humbert, Alt. #2

Also Present: Peter Henry, Board Attorney, David Banisch, Planner, Steve Bolio, Engineer and Shana L. Goodchild, Secretary

Absent: John Lawlor, Alt. #1

There were approximately six (6) audience members present.

**APPOINTMENTS/OATHS OF OFFICE**

Board Attorney Peter Henry administered the Oaths of Office for the following appointed Board members with the exception of John Lawlor due to his absence:

- Sheila Tweedie (Class III) (Council Member) 1 year term expiring 12/31/21
- Richard Rinzler (Class IV), 4 year term expiring 12/31/24
- Thomas Rochat (Class IV), 4 year term expiring 12/31/24
- Kevin Welsh (Class IV), 4 year term expiring 12/31/24
- John Lawlor (Alternate #1) 2 year term expiring 12/31/22

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Councilwoman Tweedie nominated Tom Rochat for Board Chairman, seconded by Mr. Welsh. There being no additional nominations, Councilwoman Tweedie made a motion to close the nominations, seconded by Mayor Vallone. All were in favor. A single ballot was cast for Mr. Rochat as the 2021 Planning Board Chairman

Chairman Rochat and Mayor Vallone thanked Robert Lewis for his leadership the past few years.

Councilwoman Tweedie nominated Richard Rinzler for Vice Chairman, seconded by Mayor Vallone. There being no additional nominations, a single ballot was cast for Mr. Rinzler as the 2021 Planning Board Vice Chairman. All were in favor.

After a brief discussion, the Board chose to follow the same practice as in 2020 and appoint the same person to serve as both the Administrative and Board Secretary. To that end, Councilwoman Tweedie nominated Shana Goodchild for the Secretary, seconded by Vice Chairman Rinzler. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote:

Those in Favor: Mayor Paul Vallone, Councilwoman Sheila Tweedie, Kevin Welsh, Richard Rinzler, Marilyn Layton, Robert Lewis, Suzanne Humbert, Alt. No. 2 and Chairman Tom Rochat

Those Opposed: None

**RESOLUTIONS**

Designation of Newspapers, Resolution# 2021-01

On a motion by Mayor Vallone, seconded by Councilwoman Tweedie the resolution was adopted as presented. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote:

Those in Favor: Mayor Paul Vallone, Councilwoman Sheila Tweedie, Kevin Welsh, Richard Rinzler, Marilyn Layton, Robert Lewis, Suzanne Humber, Alt. No. 2 and Chairman Tom Rochat

Those Opposed: None

2021 Meeting Dates, Resolution# 2021-02

On a motion by Councilwoman Tweedie, seconded by Mr. Welsh the resolution was adopted as presented. All were in favor.

Appointment of Planning Board Secretary, Resolution# 2021-03

On a motion by Ms. Layton, seconded by Councilwoman Tweedie the resolution was adopted as presented. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote:

Those in Favor: Mayor Paul Vallone, Councilwoman Sheila Tweedie, Kevin Welsh, Richard Rinzler, Marilyn Layton, Robert Lewis, Suzanne Humbert, Alt. #2 and Chairman Tom Rochat

Those Opposed: None

Appointment of Planning Board Attorney, Resolution# 2021-04

On a motion by Councilwoman Tweedie, seconded by Mayor Vallone the resolution was adopted as presented. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote:

Those in Favor: Mayor Paul Vallone, Councilwoman Sheila Tweedie, Kevin Welsh, Richard Rinzler, Marilyn Layton, Robert Lewis, Suzanne Humbert, Alt. #2 and Chairman Tom Rochat

Those Opposed: None

Appointment of Planning Board Planner, Resolution# 2021-05

On a motion by Ms. Layton, seconded by Vice Chairman Rinzler the resolution was adopted as presented. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote:

Those in Favor: Mayor Paul Vellone, Councilwoman Sheila Tweedie, Kevin Welsh, Richard Rinzler, Marilyn Layton, Robert Lewis, Suzanne Humbert, Alt. #2 and Chairman Tom Rochat

Those Opposed: None

Appointment of Planning Board Engineer, Resolution# 2021-06

On a motion by Councilwoman Tweedie, seconded by Vice Chairman Rinzler the resolution was adopted as presented. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote:

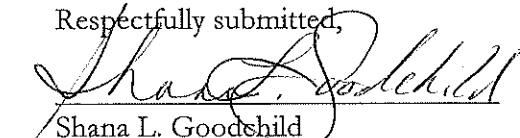
Those in Favor: Mayor Paul Vellone, Councilwoman Sheila Tweedie, Kevin Welsh, Richard Rinzler, Marilyn Layton, Robert Lewis, Suzanne Humbert, Alt. #2 and Chairman Tom Rochat

Those Opposed: None

ADJOURNMENT TO REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Robert Lewis, seconded by Councilwoman Tweedie and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Shana L. Goodchild  
Planning Board Secretary

APPROVED 2/1/21

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