#### BOROUGH OF FAR HILLS

# Planning Board Re-organization Meeting MINUTES

January 2, 2024

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Tom Rochat called the meeting to order at 7:24 p.m. and read the Open Public Meetings statement in accordance with the law.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Tom Rochat led the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL:

Present: Tom Rochat, Mayor Kevin Welsh, Jack Koury, Sheila Tweedie and Thomas Swon,

Alt. #2

Also Present: Frank Linnus, Board Attorney, David Banisch, Planner, Paul Ferriero, Engineer and

Shana L. Goodchild, Secretary

Absent: Councilman Peter Cocoziello, Robert Lewis, Suzanne Humbert, John Lawlor and

Andrea Harvey, Alt. #1

There were approximately four (4) audience members present.

# APPOINTMENTS/OATHS OF OFFICE

Board Attorney Frank Linnus administered the Oaths of Office individually for the following appointed Board members:

- Sheila Tweedie (Class IV) 4 year term expiring 12/31/27
- Thomas Swon (Alternate #2) 2 year term expiring 12/31/25

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Mr. Koury nominated Tom Rochat for Board Chairman, seconded by Mrs. Tweedie. There being no additional nominations, a single ballot was cast for Mr. Rochat as the 2024 Planning Board Chairman. The nomination was approved by the following roll call vote:

#### Roll Call Vote:

Those in Favor: Mayor Kevin Welsh, Sheila Tweedie, Jack Koury, Thomas Swon, Alt. #2 and

Tom Rochat

Those Opposed:

None

Mr. Koury nominated Robert Lewis for Vice Chairman, seconded by Chairman Rochat. There being no additional nominations, a single ballot was cast for Mr. Lewis as the 2024 Planning Board Vice Chairman. The nomination was approved by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote:

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Mayor Kevin Welsh, Sheila Tweedie, Jack Koury, Thomas Swon, Alt. #2 and

Chairman Rochat

Those Opposed:

None

Mr. Koury nominated Shana Goodchild for Secretary, seconded by Chairman Rochat. The nomination was approved by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote:

Those in Favor:

Mayor Kevin Welsh, Sheila Tweedie, Jack Koury, Thomas Swon, Alt. #2 and

Chairman Rochat

Those Opposed:

None

# **RESOLUTIONS**

On a motion by Mayor Welsh and seconded by Mr. Koury the following resolution was approved as amended removing the Bernardsville News. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 2024-01 - Designation of Newspapers

Roll Call Vote:

Those in Favor:

Mayor Kevin Welsh, Sheila Tweedie, Jack Koury, Thomas Swon, Alt. #2 and

Chairman Rochat

Those Opposed:

None

On a motion by Mayor Welsh and seconded by Mr. Koury the following resolution was approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 2024-02 - 2024 Meeting Dates

Roll Call Vote:

Those in Favor:

Mayor Kevin Welsh, Sheila Tweedie, Jack Koury, Thomas Swon, Alt. #2 and

Chairman Rochat

Those Opposed:

None

On a motion by Mr. Koury and seconded by Mayor Welsh the following resolution was approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

• Resolution No. 2024-03 - Appointment of Planning Board Secretary

Roll Call Vote:

Those in Favor:

Mayor Kevin Welsh, Sheila Tweedie, Jack Koury, Thomas Swon, Alt. #2 and

Chairman Rochat

Those Opposed:

None

PLANNING BOARD MINUTES (Reorganization Meeting) 1/2/24 Page 2 of 3 On a motion by Mr. Koury and seconded by Chairman Rochat the following resolution was approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 2024-04 - Appointment of Planning Board Attorney

Roll Call Vote:

Those in Favor:

Mayor Kevin Welsh, Sheila Tweedie, Jack Koury, Thomas Swon, Alt. #2 and

Chairman Rochat

Those Opposed:

None

On a motion by Mayor Welsh and seconded by Chairman Rochat the following resolution was approved as amended reflecting a 30-day appointment until the next meeting. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 2024-05 - Appointment of Planning Board Planner

Roll Call Vote:

Those in Favor:

Mayor Kevin Welsh, Sheila Tweedie, Jack Koury, Thomas Swon, Alt. #2 and

Chairman Rochat

Those Opposed:

None

On a motion by Chairman Rochat and seconded by Mayor Welsh the following resolution was approved as amended reflecting a 30-day appointment until the next meeting. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 2024-06 - Appointment of Planning Board Engineer

Roll Call Vote:

Those in Favor:

Mayor Kevin Welsh, Sheila Tweedie, Jack Koury, Thomas Swon, Alt. #2 and

Chairman Rochat

Those Opposed:

None

ADJOURNMENT TO REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Mrs. Tweedie, seconded by Mr. Koury and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shana L. Goodchild

Planning Board Secretary

APPROVED 2/5/24

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