

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
Reorganization & Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January 21, 2020
—MINUTES—

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The meeting was called order at 7:30 pm at the Bridgewater Courtroom, located at 100 Commons Way, Bridgewater, NJ 08807

2. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT:

ANNOUNCEMENT; Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act N.J.S.A.10:4-6. On January 23, 2020 proper notice was sent to the Courier News and the Star-Ledger and filed with the Clerk at the Township of Bridgewater and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building. Please be aware of the Zoning Board of Adjustment policy for public hearings: No new applications will be heard after 10:15 pm and no new testimony will be taken after 10:30 pm. Hearing Assistance is available upon request. Accommodation will be made for individuals with a disability, pursuant to the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), provided the individual with the disability provides 48 hours advance notice to the Planning Department Secretary before the public meeting.” However, if the individual should require special equipment or services, such as a CART transcriber, seven days advance notice, excluding weekends and holidays, may be necessary.

3. SALUTE TO FLAG:

4. NEW MEMBERS ALREADY SWORN & SIGNED OATH OF OFFICE

- 4a. Dawn Guttschall, Regular Member
- 4b. John Fallone, Regular Member

4. SWEAR IN NEW MEMBERS & SIGN OATH OF OFFICE

- 4c. Jeffrey Foose, Regular Member
- 4d. Daniel Ahern, Alternate #1
- 4e. Donna Kelly, Alternate #2
- 4f. Andrew Fresco, Alternate #3
- 4g. Gary LaSpisa, Alternate #4

5. ROLL CALL:

Donald Sweeney- present	Jeff Foose - present
Evans Humenick- present	Daniel Ahern- present
John Fallone - present	Donna Kelly - present
Dawn Guttschall- present	Andrew Fresco - present
Pushpavati Amin- present	Gary Laspisa - present
James Weideli -present	

Others present: Attorney Steven Warner, Esq., William Burr, IV, PE, Scarlett Doyle, PP

6. REORGANIZATION:

6a. Election of Chairperson

On motion by Ms. Amin and second by John Fallone, Donald Sweeney was elected to the position of Chairman by unanimous vote all of those present and eligible to vote.

6b. Election of Vice-Chairperson

On motion by Chairman Sweeney and second by Ms. Amin, John Fallone was elected to the position of Vice Chairman by unanimous vote of those present and eligible to vote.

6c. Election of Board Secretary

On motion by Chairman Sweeney and second by Mr. Humenick, Ms. Amin was nominated to the position Board Secretary. The following vote was taken:

AFFIRMATIVE: Chairman Sweeney, Mr. Humenick, Ms. Amin.

NEGATIVE: Mr. Fallone, Ms. Guttshall, Mr. Weideli Mr. Foos

NOT ELIGIBLE: Mr. Ahern, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Fresco, Mr. Laspisa

The vote failed to elect Ms. Amin.

On motion by Ms. Guttshall and second by Mr. Foose, Mr. Weideli was nominated to the position of Board Secretary The following vote was taken:

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Fallone, Ms. Guttshall, Mr. Weideli Mr. Foose

NEGATIVE: Chairman Sweeney, Mr. Humenick, Ms. Amin.

NOT ELIGIBLE: Mr. Ahern, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Fresco, Mr. Laspisa

The vote passed, appointing James Weideli as Board Secretary.

6d. Election of Assistant Board Secretary

On motion by Chairman Sweeney and second by Ms. Amin, Scarlett Doyle was elected to the position of Assistant Zoning Board Secretary by unanimous vote of those present and eligible to vote.

6e. Appointment of Board/Service Professionals

i. Board Attorney

On motion by Chairman Sweeney and second by Ms. Amin, Steven Warner, Esq. was elected to the position of Board Attorney by unanimous vote of those present and eligible to vote.

ii. Board Engineer – William Burr IV, PE

On motion by Chairman Sweeney and second by Mr. Weideli, William Burr IV, PE was elected to the position of Board Engineer by unanimous vote of those present and eligible to vote.

iii. Board Planner – Scarlett Doyle, PP

On motion by Chairman Sweeney and second by Mr. Weideli, Scarlett Doyle, PP was elected to the position of Board Planner by unanimous vote of those present and eligible to vote.

6f. Designation of Meeting Dates, Time and Place

BE IT RESOLVED by the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Township of Bridgewater that the following schedule of dates and times for Regular Meetings respectively be established for 2020 and that all scheduled meetings shall convene at 7:30 p.m. at Bridgewater Township Municipal Courtroom, 100 Commons Way, Bridgewater NJ 08807.

January -	February 4, 18	March 3, 17	April 7, 21
May 5, 19	June 16	July 7, 21	August 4, 1
September 1, 15	October 6, 20	November 17	December 1, 15

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT the 2021 Annual Reorganization Meeting following by the Regular Meeting shall be held on January 19, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. at the Bridgewater Township Municipal Courtroom, 100 Commons Way, Bridgewater, NJ 08807. Certified as being duly adopted by the Bridgewater Township Zoning Board at their reorganization Meeting held on January 21, 2020.

On motion by Chairman Sweeney and second by Mr. Weideli, the above Resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present and eligible to vote.

6g. Designation of Official Newspapers

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Zoning Board of the Township of Bridgewater that the Courier News is hereby designated the official newspaper of the Zoning Board for 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT The Courier News and The Star Ledger are hereby designated to receive all notices of Zoning Board meetings in 2020 as required under the Open Public Meetings Act.

On motion by Chairman Sweeney and second by Ms. Amin, the above Resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present and eligible to vote.

7. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

May 21, 2019 Regular Meeting (pending)
June 18, 2019 Regular Meeting (pending)
July 16, 2019 Regular Meeting (pending)
November 20, 2018 Regular Meeting (pending)
August 6, 2019 Regular Meeting (pending)
August 20, 2019 Regular Meeting (pending)
September 17, 2019 Regular Meeting (pending)
November 19, 2019 Regular Meeting (pending)
December 17, 2019 Regular Meeting (pending)
January 21, 2020 Regular & Reorg Meeting (pending)

8. MEMORIALIZATION OF RESOLUTIONS:

CATHERINE AND GARY MADLINGER -1068 Dellwood Road

Block 805 Lot 26

#19-018 ZB Variance – Addition to Garage

On motion by Mr. Weideli and second by Ms. Amin, the Resolution for approval was adopted on the following vote:

AFFIRMATIVE: Chairman Sweeney, Mr. Fallone, Ms. Guttschall, Mr. Weideli, Ms. Amin.

NOT ELIGIBLE: Mr. Ahern, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Fresco, Mr. Laspisa, Mr. Foose, Mr. Humenick,

DANIELLA HOULUTA – 76 Pine Street

Block 154 Lot 28

#19-012 ZB -Variance for addition to a single family home

On motion by Mr. Weideli and second by Ms. Guttschall, the Resolution for approval was adopted on the following vote:

AFFIRMATIVE: Chairman Sweeney, Mr. Fallone, Ms. Guttschall, Mr. Weideli, Ms. Amin.

NOT ELIGIBLE: Mr. Ahern, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Fresco, Mr. Laspisa, Mr. Foose, Mr. Humenick,

GALORE INVESTMENTS (Puran Dulani)

Block 309 Lot 9 - 8 Evagrod Street

Application No. 19-016 ZB

On motion by Mr. Foose and second by Mr. Weideli, the Resolution for approval was adopted on the following vote:

AFFIRMATIVE: Chairman Sweeney, Mr. Fallone, Ms. Guttschall, Mr. Weideli, Ms. Amin, Mr. Foose, Mr. Humenick,

NOT ELIGIBLE: Mr. Ahern, Ms. Kelly, Mr. Fresco, Mr. Laspisa

ROBERT HANLON – 86 Oak Street (*pending, no action taken*)

Block 146 Lot 19

#19-006 ZB – Use Variance

Eligible to Vote – Ms. Amin, Mr. Sweeney, Mr. Weideli, Ms. Guttschall, Mr. Foose.

9. LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS:

None

10. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Members of the public wishing to make a comment to the Board on any matter not listed on the agenda may do so at this time. Please note that in accordance with the Municipal Land Use Law and case Law, any questions or comments about a pending application must be made in the hearing on that specific application.

There were no members of the public that wished to address the Board.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session was needed

12. OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

There was no other Board Business

13. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:00 pm