

The regular meeting of the Delaware Township Planning Board was held on the noted date, in the Delaware Township Municipal Building, 570 Rosemont Ringoes Road (County Rt. 604), Sergeantsville, New Jersey. Chair Rosalind Westlake opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

STATEMENT

Chair Westlake read a statement noting that the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly transmitted to the Hunterdon County Democrat, Trenton Times, and Star Ledger, posted on the Delaware Township bulletin board and filed at Town Hall; all on January 9, 2019.

ROLL CALL

Present:	Class I	Joe Vocke
	Class II	Chris Cane
	Class III	Jamie Waltman
	Class IV	Joan Bailly, Dave Bond, Larry Coffey, Russell Crespolini, Kathy Katz, Rosalind Westlake
	Alternate	Ron Tyranski, Richard Macomber
	Liaison from	Chuck Cline, Caine Fowler
	ZBA	
	Advisor	
	Administrative Officer	Kathleen Klink
	Attorney	Steven Goodell, Esq. , not needed
	Engineer	C. Richard Roseberry, P.E. , not needed

Absent: shown by strikethroughs

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MEETING of October 1, 2019

Prepared minutes were distributed to members for review. Member Macomber made a motion to approve the minutes from the noted meeting. Member Coffey seconded the motion, and members approved the minutes as written, with an abstention by Member Waltman.

Correspondence: BILL LIST

Members reviewed the Bill List, as follows.

Bill List

Legal Bills: Parker McCay, P.A.

For Professional Services for General Planning Matters

Through 09/30/2019, #3102814

\$208.00

Member Coffey moved to approve payment of this bill, Member Bond seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Aye: Vocke, Waltman, Bailly, Bond, Coffey, Crespolini, Katz, Westlake

Alternates: Tyranski; Macomber (concur)

Nay: None

Absent: Cane

Legal Bills: Parker McCay, P.A.

For Escrow Charges

17/21, Dempsey, #3102815

\$816.00

Engineering Bills: Maser Consulting

For Escrow Charges

17/21, Dempsey, #543875

\$36.25

Member Coffey moved to authorize payment of the noted bill(s) from the appropriate escrow account. Member Bond seconded the motion, and members unanimously authorized payment.

CORRESPONDENCE – Old Business, to include Memorializations - none

- a. Walt Maximuck, subdivision of Block 51, Lot 5, to create Lot 5.05

Authorization to sign final plats

Motion to approve: Coffey

Second: Waltman

Roll Call Vote

Aye: Vocke, Waltman, Bailly, Bond, Coffey, Crespolini, Katz, Westlake

Alternates: Tyranski: Macomber (concur)

Nay: None

Absent: Cane

CORRESPONDENCE – New Business, to include Applications – none

- a. 2020 Calendar of Dates – distributed for information
- b. 2020 Budget – no Budget information provided by Finance Office
- c. Friends of Locktown Stone Church – comment period for NJ DEP permit application

Administrative Officer Klink reported that this group has prepared a request for a transition area waiver for redevelopment. The request is for a proposed building that will house restroom facilities and a closed-system sanitary facility in accordance with NJAC 7:9A.

Members were informed that this information was distributed to the Planning Board and the Environmental Commission with a deadline date of 15 days within receipt of the letter. Administrative Office Klink explained that the Environmental Commission does not meet until after the deadline date.

It was noted that this is a comment period and that members can make individual comments.

- d. Question #77, Best Practices Inventory

Has your municipality changed its master plan and zoning ordinances within the past two years to improve resiliency in the face of extreme weather events? Only answer NA if your municipality has determined, after a review of its master plan and zoning ordinances within the past two years, that no such changes are necessary.

Administrative Officer Klink explained that a request was made for the Planning Board to discuss this question as part of a Best Practices Inventory, to be submitted to the State. The Board discussed the issue and questioned its intent. It was noted that it seems to refer the Township's ability to "handle" excess water from a possible flood event. The Board suggested that the question could be handled by the Township's OEM, Office of Emergency Management. The Board also discussed the stormwater management ordinance section and felt that the purposes and practice in place within that ordinance

might represent a resiliency plan. The Board further suggested that Township Engineer Roseberry could answer the question about new State regulations within the last two years.

The conclusion of the discussion is that the Board feels that the measures in place are satisfactory.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Scheduled Committee Meetings

Subdivision and Site Plan Review Committee - second Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., as needed per applications submitted. *Member Bailly to report.* Members: Bailly, Crespolini, Katz
No application

Agricultural Advisory Committee – first Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.; *Member Coffey to report*
Members: Bond, Coffey; non Planning Board: Bench, Novak, Sawatzky

Member Coffey reported that there are Special Occasion Events being developed by the SADC for preserved farmland. Member Bond stated that this topic came up at the County Ag meeting in October. He suggested that the Board should wait until a final determination is made by SADC before the Planning Board makes any revisions or changes to the municipal rules.

Open Space Committee – third Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., except January 14 and February 11;
Member Coffey to report. Members: Coffey, Bond, alternate Westlake
Member Coffey stated that he was not present at the last meeting.

Chair Westlake stated that the Lee Lau application is still on hold.

Non-Scheduled Committee Meetings, please give me notice for proper newspaper notification, if needed

Master Plan Committee – *Member Westlake to report*; members: Coffey, Katz
No meeting

Ordinance Review - *Member Coffey to report*; members: Katz, Westlake

Member Katz reported that the Ordinance Review committee met with Bob Wolfertz, one author of the proposed groundwater protection ordinance. She noted that most of the goals of the protection ordinance can be found within Zoning Ordinance §230-125, Water Supply and Water Quality Requirements. The Ordinance Review Committee suggested that Mr. Wolfertz meet with the other authors with that objective in mind, to meld both ordinances together.

Member Katz stated that one big question that she had was the “trigger” of 200,00 cubic yards of disturbance. She noted that this is the number that represents the total disturbance for the pipeline within the Township. She noted that both she and Chair Westlake stated that if a trigger is to be added to the existing ordinance, that trigger has to have scientific basis, that is a peer reviewed scientific standard. She noted that the trigger needs to be established for a set disturbance that needs to be tied to a set volume of bedrock excavation within a set proximity to the location of a well or well head, and the resulting impact.

Quarry Compliance Committee – *Member Bond* (Board Representative)
Did not meet

Stormwater Management Committee – *Member Waltman*

Did not meet

LIAISON REPORTS

Board of Adjustment – second Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., *Liaison Cline*

Liaison Cline reported that the Board of Adjustment approved an accessory building on a property line, well within the rear setback.

Environmental Commission – third Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., *Liaison Katz*

Member Katz reported that the Environmental Commission is focusing on its own website.

EC Secretary Klink noted that there will be a speaker about the spotted lanternfly on Wednesday, November 20, at 6:30 pm. Member Bailly stated that she has been inundated. Member Katz stated that she has developed a VSV system: vacuum what you can reach; spray them down with a hose; vacuum again.

It was noted that this is a critical time to destroy egg masses.

Historical Advisory Committee – second Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., *Liaison Cane*

Member Cane was not present.

Shade Tree Commission – fourth Thursdays, 7:00 p.m., *Liaison Coffey*

Administrative Officer Klink stated that there was little business at the meeting. She did note that the Shade Tree Commission will have a single meeting on December 5, for both the November and December meetings.

Meeting opened to the Public for Comments or Questions

There were no comments or questions from the public.

Meeting opened to the Board for Comments or Questions

None

NEXT MEETING: December 3, 2019

ADJOURNMENT: 7:58 pm

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously carried to adjourn at the noted time.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen E. Klink,
Administrative Officer