

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD  
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES  
January 4, 2022 – Re-Organization

Stephanie Merola called to order the Borough of South Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustment Re-Organization meeting at 6:30pm in the Council Chambers.

Please stand for the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. This meeting was held in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act and as such, proper notice of this meeting was published in The Observer, The Courier News and The Star Ledger providing same to the Borough Clerk. It is the policy of the South Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustments, not to hear any new applications after 10:00 pm and no new witnesses after 10:30 pm.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:**

Ken Bonanno  
Maria Campagna  
James Gustafson  
Cindy Eichler  
Frank Notino  
Gino Leonardis  
Joseph Scudato (Alt. 1)  
April Wasnick  
Frank Lemos

**Absent:**

Darlene Cullen (Alt, 2)  
Gino Leonardis

**Also attending:** Matthew Flynn, Esq.; Stanley Slachetka, PP, AICP

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint the CHAIRMAN. Mrs. Eichler nominated **Gino Leonardis** as **CHAIRMAN**, seconded by Mrs. Campagna. Those in Favor: Mr. Lemos, Mr. Bonanno, Mrs. Campagna; Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler; Mr. Scudato and Mrs. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint the VICE CHAIRMAN. Mrs. Eichler nominated **James Gustafson** as **VICE CHAIRMAN**, seconded by Mrs. Campagna. Those in Favor: Mr. Lemos, Mr. Bonanno, Mrs. Campagna; Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler; Mr. Scudato and Mrs. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint LEGAL COUNSEL. Mrs. Eichler nominated **Savo, Schalk, Gillespie, O'Grodnick & Fisher, PA - Alex Fisher, Esq** as **LEGAL COUNSEL**, seconded by Mrs. Campagna. Those in Favor: Mr. Lemos, Mr. Bonanno, Mrs. Campagna; Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler; Mr. Scudato and Mrs. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint CONFLICT ATTORNEY. Mrs. Eichler nominated **Ventura, Mieowitz, Keoush & Warner - Steven Warner, Esq** as **CONFLICT ATTORNEY**, seconded by Mrs. Campagna. Those in Favor: Mr. Lemos, Mr. Bonanno, Mrs. Campagna; Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler; Mr. Scudato and Mrs. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint BOARD ENGINEER. Mrs. Eichler nominated **Najarian Associates – Bob Bucco, PE, CME, CPWM** as **BOARD ENGINEER**, seconded by Mrs. Campagna. Those in Favor: Mr. Lemos, Mr. Bonanno, Mrs. Campagna; Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler; Mr. Scudato and Mrs. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint CONFLICT ENGINEER. Mrs. Eichler nominated **T&M Associates** as **CONFLICT ENGINEER**, seconded by Mrs. Campagna. Those in Favor: Mr. Lemos, Mr. Bonanno, Mrs. Campagna; Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler; Mr. Scudato and Mrs. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint BOARD PLANNER. Mrs. Eichler nominated **T&M Associates – Stan Slachetka, PP, AICP** as **BOARD PLANNER**, seconded by Mr. Bonanno. Those in Favor: Mr. Lemos, Mr. Bonanno, Mrs. Campagna; Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler; Mr. Scudato and Mrs. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint CONFLICT PLANNER. Mrs. Eichler nominated **Najarian Associates** as **CONFLICT PLANNER**, seconded by Mrs. Campagna. Those in Favor: Mr. Lemos, Mr. Bonanno, Mrs. Campagna; Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler; Mr. Scudato and Mrs. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

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Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint TRC MEMBERS. Mrs. Campagna, Mrs. Wasnick, and Mr. Lemos volunteered. Mr. Bonanno as alternate. Those in Favor: Mr. Lemos, Mr. Bonanno, Mrs. Campagna; Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler; Mr. Scudato and Mrs. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint BOARD RECORDING SECRETARY. Mrs. Eickler nominated **Stephanie Merola** as **BOARD RECORDING SECRETARY**, seconded by Mrs. Campagna. Those in Favor: Mr. Lemos, Mr. Bonanno, Mrs. Campagna; Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler; Mr. Scudato and Mrs. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS. Mrs. Eichler nominated **South Plainfield Observer, The Courier News and The Star Ledger**, seconded by Mrs. Wasnick. Those in Favor: Mr. Lemos, Mr. Bonanno, Mrs. Campagna; Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler; Mr. Scudato and Mrs. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to adopt the **2022 SCHEDULED MEETING DATES**. Mrs. Eichler made motion, seconded by Mrs. Campagna. Those in Favor: Mr. Lemos, Mr. Bonanno, Mrs. Campagna; Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler; Mr. Scudato and Mrs. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

**Adjournment:** 6:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted  
Stephanie Merola  
Zoning Board of Adjustment Secretary