

POINT PLEASANT PLANNING BOARD
January 25, 2024

The regular meeting of the Planning Board was called to order by Chairwoman Bavais. Ms. Bavais read the Notice of Compliance which states that adequate notice of the meeting had been given.

Roll call:

Present: Chairwoman Bavais, Mr. McHugh, Mayor Sabosik, Mr. Welch, Mr. Potter, Mr. Sestito, Mr. Walker, Mr. Archer

Attorney: Ryan Amberger, Esq., Engineer: Laura Neumann, P.E., P.P., Board Secretary: Claire Hense

Absent: Messrs. Furmato and Vitale

Chairwoman Bavais welcomed new Board members Jude Walker as a Class II and Russ Archer as a Class IV. Mr. Amberger administered the Oath of Office to Russ Archer.

The Board elected the following **Officers** for 2024:

A motion was made by Mayor Sabosik and seconded by Brian Welch to elect Mary Jane Bavais as Chairperson, with all in favor and none opposed.

A question was raised about the possibility of having two Vice Chairpersons. Mr. Amberger stated the Ordinance calls for a single chair or vice chair, but if the Board wants an understanding of who would fill in for the Vice Chair, it could do a vote on an alternate.

A motion was made by Mayor Sabosik and seconded by Chairwoman Bavais to elect Jack McHugh as Vice Chairperson, with Brian Welch as an alternate; all were in favor and none opposed.

The Board made the following **appointments** for 2024:

A motion was made by Mr. Welch and seconded by Mayor Sabosik to elect Ben Montenegro, Esq./Montenegro, Thompson, Montenegro & Genz, P.C. as attorney, with all in favor and none opposed. Mr. Amberger stated that on behalf of Mr. Montenegro, he wanted to thank everyone.

A motion was made by Chairwoman Bavais and seconded by Mr. Potter to elect Laura Neumann, P.E., P.P./CME Associates as engineer, with all in favor and none opposed. Ms. Neumann thanked the Board and stated she enjoys the Board and will do her best.

A motion was made by Chairwoman Bavais and seconded by Mr. Welch to elect Claire S. Hense as secretary, with all in favor and none opposed. Ms. Hense thanked the Board.

A motion was made by Mr. Welch and seconded by Mr. Potter to approve the **meeting dates and time** as Thursday, February 22, 2024 at 7 p.m. and thereafter on the fourth Thursday of each month, with the exception of the October, November and December meetings which shall occur on the second Thursday of those months, namely, October 10, November 14 and December 12, 2024. All meetings will commence at 7 p.m. All were in favor, none opposed.

A motion was made by Mayor Sabosik and seconded by Mr. Potter to designate the Ocean Star and Asbury Park Press as the **official newspapers**, with all in favor and none opposed.

A motion was made by Chairwoman Bavais and seconded by Mr. Walker as follows to appoint the following members to **the Exempt Site Plan Committee**:

Mr. Potter as Chairman
Mr. McHugh as Vice Chairperson
Mayor Sabosik
Mr. Sestito
Mr. Welch will be a fill-in.
All were in favor, none opposed.

Chairwoman Bavais stated there are three **Resolutions** for review this evening, the first being that of Thomas and Madeleine Halter regarding property located at 1628 Center Street, a/k/a Block 306, Lot 75.01, which was approved at the meeting of December 14, 2023.

A motion was made by Mr. Potter and seconded by Mr. McHugh to approve the Resolution.
Roll call: YEAS: Fred Potter, John McHugh, Jr., Mary Jane Bavais, Robert Sabosik, Jim Sestito.

Chairwoman Bavais stated the next **Resolution** for review this evening is that of Phyllis Healy regarding property located at 1626 Center Street, a/k/a Block 306, Lot 75.02, which was approved at the meeting of December 14, 2023.

A motion was made by Mr. Potter and seconded by Mr. McHugh to approve the Resolution.
Roll call: YEAS: Fred Potter, John McHugh, Jr., Mary Jane Bavais, Robert Sabosik, Jim Sestito.

Chairwoman Bavais stated the last **Resolution** for review this evening is that of 1117 Sampson, LLC regarding property located at 1117 Sampson Road, a/k/a Block 112, Lot 7, which was approved at the meeting of December 14, 2023.

A motion was made by Mr. Potter and seconded by Mayor Sabosik to approve the Resolution.

Roll call: YEAS: Fred Potter, Robert Sabosik, Mary Jane Bavais, John McHugh, Jr., Jim Sestito.

New Business

Mayor Sabosik stated the Borough purchased a new piece of property which will be used for the Recreation Center or will be the new Senior Center, and stated this will come before the Board as a courtesy review this coming spring or summer.

Exempt Site Plan Committee

Mr. Potter stated there was no meeting this month.

Environmental Committee

Mr. Potter gave an overview of his report dated December 18, 2023. As to the Slade Dale project, Mr. Walker stated they have already completed the Christmas tree pick ups and picked up maybe a dozen trees at Slade Dale thinking they were not supposed to be there. Chairwoman Bavais stated she will check to see if all her trees were ground up at the Park and if they have trees which have not yet been mulched, she will get in touch with Mr. Walker.

Mr. Potter stated the Tree Ordinance has been sent to the Mayor and Council, and the deadline for that is May 1, 2024. Mayor Sabosik stated they have not yet heard about the Boardwalk Preservation Grant, further mentioning that with regards to the Salt Marsh restoration, something about if Brick was able to take their dredging with their lagoons. Mr. Potter stated he was not sure how much more would be needed but if the material was not suitable, they would not use it.

Mr. Walker wanted to know what a floating island is with regards to the lagoon algae blooms, and Mr. Potter stated a picture was provided to Board members in the past and he described them. The Board secretary stated she would send Mr. Walker the pictures. Mr. Potter stated he is repurposing grape containers from Mr. Bobowski and there is no cost for repurposing. He stated he will reach out to the Boy Scouts about possibly making it a project and they would use indigenous plants.

Mr. Walker stated there is free grant money for that. Mr. Walker further stated New Jersey has banned plastic bags as they shut down the single stream system at the County, and stated we are part of the revenue sharing with the County. Mr. Walker further added there is room at the Center to keep them out of the recycling stream. Mayor Sabosik stated he received a report today that the Borough received over \$200,000.00 in recycling money. Mr. Walker added that they received over \$40,000.00 just in the last year for metal recycling.

A motion was made by Mr. Welch and seconded by Mr. Potter to approve the vouchers. All were in favor.

The meeting adjourned on a motion by Mr. Potter and seconded by Mr. Welch. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Claire S. Hense