

**RIVERTON BOROUGH PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES
June 15, 2010**

The Public Session of the Planning Board was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Joe Creighton. Public Notice of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act has been given in the following manner:

1. Posting notice on the official bulletin board in the Borough Office on January 25, 2010.
2. Required Service of notice and publication in the Burlington County Times on January 24, 2010.

PRESENT: Joseph Creighton, Armand Bianchini, Joseph Threston, Mayor Robert Martin, Councilwoman Suzanne Wells, Mary Lodato, Cheryl Progin, and Robert Bednarek.

Also Present: Solicitor Tom Coleman and Secretary Ken Palmer.

ABSENT: Muriel Alls-Moffat.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Joe Threston and seconded by Mayor Martin to adopt the minutes of the May 18, 2010 regular meeting as distributed. The voice vote was unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. 5/26/10, copy of NJLM, Mayor's Fax Advisory updating League concerns with Senate Bill S-1 to abolish COAH.
2. 6/9/2010, copy of NJLM, Mayor's Fax Advisory concerning Senate Bill S-1 to abolish COAH posted for full Senate vote on 6/10.
3. 5/20/10, announcement from DVRPC of comment period 6/1-6/30/2010 on draft TIP documents.
4. 1 voucher/invoice as presented under New Business.

NEW BUSINESS

Invoices and vouchers:

1. 06/03/10, Raymond, Coleman & Heinold, LLP, \$250.00, prepare for and attend May meeting.

There was no further discussion and a motion was made by Councilwoman Wells, seconded by Joe Threston, and unanimously approved to pay the voucher as presented. The secretary will have it signed and submitted for payment.

OLD BUSINESS

Council Matters of Importance to the Board including 2010 Budget – Councilwoman Wells reported that the annual Fourth of July parade and events would be held on Saturday, July 3rd. The new blue recycling bins have been distributed. The Borough had previously received a grant for improvements to the "downtown" and the proposed sidewalk improvements are going out for bid. Suzanne stated she understands the salon in the building at the point of Main and Howard Streets is relocating. The board appears to be doing well with its budget expenditures and has expended 26-28% through May.

COAH – Muriel's questions/comments and Tamara's replies to Tamara's May 10th COAH note were reviewed. The board concurs with Tamara's and Tom's suggestion that the only thing to do now was wait and see the results of continuing changes regarding COAH and the upcoming mediation session on the objection filed to the Borough's submission. Tom Coleman reviewed that Council had adopted a resolution at its June 9 meeting appointing the mayor, Suzanne, Tom Coleman and Tamara Lee as the Borough's mediation team. The mediation session when scheduled should only last 20 or 30 minutes. Tom Coleman reviewed the process for the board. The results could take some time before they are released.

2010 Goals and Objectives – Suzanne distributed the final version and it was briefly discussed. No additional revisions were made. Joe Threston motioned and the mayor seconded to adopt the goals and objectives. They were adopted by a unanimous voice vote.

Zoning and Related Land Use Code changes – Suzanne reported that there has been no action the past two months. She stated the committee would like meet following the fourth of July weekend to develop items to discuss at the July meeting. Among the items to be considered are the suggestions for changes to the fence ordinance submitted by Mrs. Shea. The secretary commented that the zoning board had discussed the matter at its last meeting and planned to consider a formal comment to the committee and the planning board at this Thursday's meeting. Suzanne stated she would let the chair know before the meeting if the topic should be on the July final agenda.

Environmental Commission – Joe Threston reported that the next meeting is Thursday the 17th. The commission feels the new blue recycling bins are good move. The commission has requested but hasn't received information on the "Rutgers" changes to the model stormwater management ordinance. The commission praised the town-wide cleanup day efforts and recognized the efforts put forth by Jeff Myers and Helen Mack to organize the effort.

Minor Site Plan Applications – Mary Lodato reported that no applications had been received.

NEW BUSINESS

Secretary Unavailable for July meeting – Ken Palmer advised the board that he would not be available for the July meeting and he wanted to provide advance notice since he has been notified that an applicant intends to submit a site plan application for the former Beneficial Bank building on Main Street. There was discussion during which Ken stated he would have as much as possible prepared for the meeting. The board decided that they would have one of the members make sure the meeting is recorded and necessary notes taken so the minutes could be prepared.

PUBLIC COMMENT – The chair noted for the record that there were no members of the public present.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM. (motion by Wells, second by Threston)

**Next meeting is on 07/20/2010 at 7:00 pm in the Borough Hall.
Tape is on file.**

**Kenny C. Palmer, Jr., Secretary
RIVERTON PLANNING BOARD**