

**RIVERTON BOROUGH PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES
May 17, 2011**

The Public Session of the Planning Board was called to order at 7:00 PM by Vice Chairman Armand Bianchini. 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 26, 2011.
2. Required Service of notice and publication in the Burlington County Times on January 31, 2011.

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

Also Present: Solicitor Tom Coleman and secretary Ken Palmer.

ABSENT: Joseph Creighton and Robert Bednarek.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Joseph Threston and seconded by Cheryl Progin to adopt the minutes of the April 19, 2011 regular meeting as distributed. The voice vote was unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. 2 vouchers/invoices as presented under New Business.

OLD BUSINESS

Council Matters of Importance to the Board and 2011 Budget – Councilwoman Wells reported that Chief Shaw and three Beneficial Bank tellers will be honored by the county on 5/19 for their efforts in the apprehension of the bank robbers who had twice robbed the Riverton branch. Suzanne reported that the municipal budget had been adopted and the board's budget had been trimmed by about \$1,500.00. Mayor Martin reported that town historian Betty Hahle had passed away and he read the Council and Borough proclamation honoring Mrs. Hahle's service and contributions to the Borough. The mayor updated the board on the upcoming walk to support breast cancer research and sanctioned bike race events in the Borough. Suzanne Wells and Armand Bianchini updated the board on resolving issues at the group home at 815 Homewood Drive and plans for a meeting of the neighbors with the Borough and the owner/management of the home.

COAH – Cheryl Progin reported that the Borough is fully compliant in its reporting requirements. The trust portion of the reporting was completed and the annual reports filed. Cheryl and Tom Coleman reported that there is no new news on COAH and the courts at the state level.

Zoning and Related Land Use Code changes – Suzanne reported that following second reading the revision to the zoning map and changes to the building height and swimming pool setback ordinances had been adopted by Council. The noise ordinance discussion is still tabled. Because enforcement of a noise ordinance spelling out specific noise levels would require the purchase of measuring devices and employing a professional trained "Noise Officer," in the use of the equipment, Council is favoring an ordinance based on usage and time rather than noise levels.

Environmental Commission – Joe Threston reported that planting work at the Riverton School's rain garden project commenced following the Easter holiday. The commission is still considering the GIS program. The next meeting of the commission is on Thursday the 16th.

Minor Site Plan Applications – Mary Lodato reported that none had been filed this month.

Old Escrow Issues – The secretary reported that 101 Lippincott had apparently sold and that unless advised otherwise he would send no further notices to the former owner regarding the unpaid escrow. The consensus of the board was to put the matter to rest. There are no other escrow issues to report.

NEW BUSINESS

Invoices and vouchers:

1. 3/18/11, Stout & Caldwell Engineers, LLC, \$250.00, Final Antonucci Site Plan Application completeness review work and signoff through 3/6/11. PAY FROM ESCROW
2. 5/3/11, Raymond, Coleman & Heinold, LLP, \$200.00, prepare and attend April meeting and general business advice. PAY FROM GENERAL BUDGET

A motion was made by Joseph Threston, seconded by Suzanne Wells, and unanimously approved to pay the submitted vouchers and invoices as presented. The secretary will have them signed and submitted for payment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM. (motion by Threston, second by Wells)

**Next meeting is on 6/21/2011 at 7:00 pm in the Borough Hall.
Tape is on file.**

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