

**RIVERTON BOROUGH PLANNING BOARD  
MINUTES  
December 15, 2015**

The Public Session of the Planning Board was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Kerry Brandt. 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 21, 2015.
2. Required Service of notice and publication in the Burlington County Times on January 23, 2015.

**PRESENT:** Kerry Brandt, Ken Mills, Joe Della Penna, Joseph Threston, Mayor William Brown, Mary Lodato, Deborah Weaver, Robert Martin, and John Kohms.

**Also Present:** Solicitor Tom Coleman and secretary Ken Palmer.

**ABSENT:** Craig Greenwood, Robert Kennedy, Councilman Joseph Creighton, and Richard Gaughan.

**MINUTES:** A motion was made by Joe Threston and seconded by Bill Brown to adopt the minutes of the November 17, 2015, regular meeting of the planning board as distributed. The voice vote was unanimous.

**CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. None.

**REVIEW/CONSIDER INVOICES & VOUCHERS**

1. 12/15/15, Clarke Caton Hintz, \$88.00, teleconference on 11/25 between Court Appointed Master, Mary Beth Lonergan and Tamara Lee re: the Boro. Housing Plan. (AFFORDABLE HOUSING/BOARD PROF. SERVICES)

A motion was made by Ken Mills, seconded by Joe Threston, and unanimously approved to pay the vouchers as presented. The secretary will have them signed and submitted for payment.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Affordable Housing** – Tom Coleman reported that the court date originally scheduled for December 4 had been cancelled. Tom reviewed that, as he had suspected, Judge Bookbinder had appointed a Court Master who will be tasked with reviewing the submissions of the municipalities in the county. There has already been communications between the Court Appointed Master Mary Beth Lonergan and himself and Tamara Lee. Tom stated that he did not know how much additional effort may be required to get Riverton's filing concluded and a judgment issued. He still feels that the Borough is in good shape and that there should not be any major surprises. Tom also stated that in the interim the Borough has continued immunity from any builder's suits while the matter is before the court.

**Council Matters of Importance to the Board** – Mayor Brown stated that there was nothing new to report.

**Environmental Commission** – Joe Threston stated that there was nothing new to report.

**Minor Site Plan Applications** – Mary Lodato reported there were none in the last month.

**Master Plan** – The chair reported that he had received a disk from Tamara in Word format of the original Master Plan and that he planned to make the information available to the board. The secretary stated that he hopes to be able to add the subsequent updates such as the Stormwater Management section and the Reexamination Report. The Housing Element Appendix section has been replaced by the recently adopted Housing Element and Fair Share Plan which is currently before the court. The original Housing Element section is not changed and remains a part of the plan.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Farewell to Mayor** – Chairman Brandt announced that since this was outgoing Mayor Brown's final board meeting, he hoped the board would join him in thanking the mayor for his years of service both as mayor and his work with the board. The entire board offered applauded the mayor and thanked him and wished him good luck. Mayor Brown thanked the board for its recognition and wishes.

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

**MISC.**

The chair remarked that he hoped the board shares in his desire to thank Tom Coleman for his many years of service and guidance to the board as its solicitor. Tom had announced that this would be his last meeting as he has accepted the position as the Borough Council's new counsel. The board joined Kerry in thanking Tom and wishing him good luck.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm. (motion by Mills, second by Kohms)**

**Next meeting is at 7:00 pm on 1/19/2016**

**Tape is on file for one year.**

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