

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD

Reorganization Meeting

January 7, 2025

-Minutes-

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman Vescio called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Mr. Peck administered the Oaths of Office as required.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT

Chairman Vescio read the OPMA Statement.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Mayor Moench-	Absent	Mr. Banga-	Present
Councilman Kirsh-	Present	Ms. Sikora-	Present
Mr. Pappas-	Absent	Mr. Choudhury-	Present
Mr. Magura-	Present	Mr. Atkins-	Present
Chairman Vescio-	Present	Ms. Chartowich-	Present
Mr. Wang-	Present		

Others present: Board Attorney Mr. Mark Peck, Board Attorney, Ms. Katherine Sarmad, Board Planner, Mr. Bill Burr, Township Engineer, and Land Use Administrator Nancy Probst.

Mr. Mark Peck administered the required oaths of office.

ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

BOARD CHAIRMAN

Ms. Probst called for a nomination of Board Chairman. Councilman Kirsh nominated Mr. Vescio and Mr. Magura seconded the nomination. With there being no other nominations, this portion was closed.

The Board voted to appoint Mr. Vescio as Chairman of the Board based on the following roll call vote:

- Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga, Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury & Mr. Atkins
- Nay:
- Abstain:
- Not Eligible:
- Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

BOARD DEPUTY CHARIMAN

Chairman Vescio called for nominations. Chairman Vescio nominated Ms. Sikora as Vice Chairman and Mr. Choudhury seconded the nomination. With there being no further nominations, this portion was closed.

The Board voted to appoint Ms. Sikora as Vice Chairman of the Board based on the following roll call vote:

Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga,
Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio
Nay:
Abstain:
Not Eligible:
Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

BOARD SECRETARY

Chairman Vescio called for nominations. Chairman Vescio nominated Ms. Probst as Board Secretary and Ms. Sikora seconded. With there being no further nominations, this portion was closed.

The Board voted to appoint Ms. Probst as Secretary of the Board based on the following roll call vote:

Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga,
Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio
Nay:
Abstain:
Not Eligible:
Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

BOARD ASST. SECRETARY

Chairman Vescio called for nominations. Chairman Vescio nominated Ms. Chartowich and Ms. Sikora seconded. With there being no other nominations, this portion was closed.

Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga,
Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio
Nay:
Abstain:
Not Eligible:
Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD PROFESSIONALS

BOARD ATTORNEY

On motion by Mr. Choudhury, seconded by Ms. Sikora the Board voted to appoint Mr. Peck as the Board Attorney based on the following roll call vote:

Affirmative: Mr. Pappas, Mr. Magura, Mr. Banga, Ms. Chartowich,
Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio
Nay:
Abstain:
Not Eligible:
Absent: Mayor Moench, Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Wang & Ms. Sikora

BOARD ENGINEER

On motion by Ms. Chartowich, seconded by Ms. Sikora, the Board voted to appoint Mr. Burr as the Board Engineer based on the following roll call vote:

Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga,
Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio
Nay:
Abstain:
Not Eligible:
Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

BOARD PLANNER

On motion by Ms. Sikora, seconded by Mr. Banga, the Board voted to appoint Ms. Sarmas the Board Planner based on the following roll call vote:

Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga,
Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio
Nay:
Abstain:
Not Eligible:
Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

CONSULTING PLANNER

On motion by Ms. Chartowich, seconded by Mr. Choudhury, the Board voted to appoint Mr. Michael Sullivan as the Consulting Planner based on the following roll call vote:

Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga,
Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio
Nay:
Abstain:
Not Eligible:
Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

2025 MEETING DATES

Ms. Probst reviewed the changes made to the Board calendar. On motion by Councilman Kirsh, seconded by Ms. Chartowich, the Board voted to adopt the meeting dates based on the following roll call vote:

- Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga, Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio
- Nay:
- Abstain:
- Not Eligible:
- Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

On motion by Mr. Choudhury, seconded by Mr. Banga, the Board voted to authorize the Courier News and Star Ledger as the official newspapers based on the following roll call vote:

- Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga, Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio
- Nay:
- Abstain:
- Not Eligible:
- Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

On motion by Mr. Choudhury, seconded by Ms. Chartowich, the Board voted to close the Reorganization Meeting based on the following roll call vote:

- Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga, Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio
- Nay:
- Abstain:
- Not Eligible:
- Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

CALL TO REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Vescio called the regular meeting to order.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Chairman Vescio opened the meeting to the public. With there being no public wishing to speak, the Board closed this portion.

BOARD MINUTES

October 1, 2024 Regular Meeting

On motion by Ms. Chartowich, seconded by Ms. Sikora, the Board voted to adopt the minutes as presented based on the following roll call vote:

- Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga, Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio
- Nay:
- Abstain:
- Not Eligible:
- Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

October 15, 2024 Regular Meeting

On motion by Ms. Sikora, seconded by Ms. Chartowich, the Board voted to adopt the minute as presented based on the following roll call vote:

- Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga, Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio
- Nay:
- Abstain:
- Not Eligible:
- Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

November 19, 2024 Regular Meeting

On motion by Mr. Choudhury, seconded by Ms. Chartowich, the Board voted to adopt the minutes as presented based on the following roll call vote:

- Affirmative: Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga, Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio
- Nay:
- Abstain:
- Not Eligible: Councilman Kirsh
- Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

MEMORIALIZATION OF RESOLUTIONS

There were no resolutions for adoption.

LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

Application No. 24-014-PB; Chick-Fil-A
Block 164, Lot 6.05; 754 Route 202
Preliminary & Major Final Site Plan

See transcript provided by AB Court Reporting LLC.

On motion by Councilman Kirsh, seconded by Ms. Sikora, the Board voted to approve the application with conditions based on the following roll call vote:

Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Magura, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio,
Ms. Chartowich, Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio

Nay:

Abstain: Mr. Banga

Not Eligible:

Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

Application No. 24-030-PB; Avnos Inc.
Block 165, Lot 2; 360 Milltown Rd.
Amended Site Plan Approval

See transcript provide by AB Court Reporting LLC.

On motion by Ms. Sikora, seconded by Mr. Banga, the Board voted to approve the application with conditions based on the following roll call vote:

Affirmative: Councilman Kirsh, Mr. Wang, Mr. Vescio, Mr. Banga, Ms. Chartowich,
Mr. Choudhury, Mr. Atkins & Chairman Vescio

Nay: Mr. Magura

Abstain:

Not Eligible:

Absent: Mayor Moench & Mr. Pappas

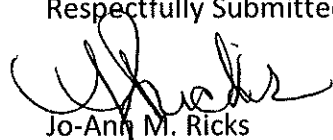
OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

There was no other Board business.

ADJOURN

The Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:53 pm.

Respectfully Submitted



Jo-Ann M. Ricks

Board Secretary Certified