

**MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 7, 2018  
PLANNING/ZONING BOARD  
TOWN OF HAMMONTON**

The regular meeting of the Hammonton Planning/Zoning Board was called to order this date by Mayor Stephen DiDonato, in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. with the announcement of the Sunshine Law and fire exit procedure. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The meeting was televised.

**PRESENT:**

Steve DiDonato  
Salvatore Capelli  
Phil DeMarco  
Joe Giraldo  
Michael Hozik  
Gordon Pherribo  
Mickey Pullia  
Ray Scipione  
Ch. Edward Marinelli  
Michael Messina (1)  
Vincent Messina (2)  
Jonathan Oliva (3)

**ABSENT:**

none

**ALSO PRESENT:**

James Schroeder, Esq.  
Bob Vettese - Engineer  
Kevin Dixon – Planner/  
Traffic  
Kimberly MacLane-  
Secretary

**ADOPTION OF MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. Hozik made a motion to approve the Hammonton Planning Board Minutes of December 20, 2017 and Zoning Board of Adjustments Minutes of December 21, 2017. Mr. Giraldo seconded the motion. All members in favor.

Chairman Marinelli discussed the clean up of the basin in the Wal-Mart parking lot behind Burger King. He said all looks cleaned up and in order. The oldest tree that was removed was only 18 yrs old. The management of Wal-Mart said that corporate will make this a regular occurrence of maintaining said basin. Chairman Marinelli also acknowledged the hard work that Mark Rogers put into getting this done.

Nominations were taken and voted on for the following positions:

Chairman: Mr. Hozik nominated Edward Marinelli and Mr. Giraldo seconded the motion. Both also motioned to close nominations. All members agreed.

Vice-Chairman: Sal Capelli nominated Gordon Pherribo and Mr. Hozik seconded the motion. Mr. Hozik made a motion to close the nomination and Mr. Vincent Messina seconded the motion. All members agreed.

Board Solicitor: Mr. Giraldo nominated James Schroeder, Esq and Mr. Capelli seconded the motion. Mr. Hozik made a motion to close nominations and Mr. Giraldo seconded the motion. All members agreed.

Board Engineer: Mr. Giraldo nominated Bob Vettese and Mr. Capelli seconded the motion. Mr. Hozik voted to close nominations and Mr. Giraldo seconded

the motion. All members agreed.

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Board Planner: Mr. Michael Messina nominated Kevin Dixon and Mr. Pherribo  
Seconded the motion. Mr. Hozik made a motion to close nominations  
and was seconded by Mr. Giraldo. All members agreed.

Board Secretary: Mr. Hozik nominated Kimberly MacLane and Mr. Giraldo seconded.  
Mr. Giraldo made a motion to close nominations and was seconded by  
Mr. Scipione. All members agreed.

Re-Approval was given for 2018 meeting schedule. 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of each month  
With the exception of July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Discussion: Mr. Schroeder gave a introduction/talk regarding how the Planning and  
Zoning will work. Gave some quick education regarding the Zoning  
Board works and how meetings will be run going forward.

Our meetings will start with any Planning Board Issues that may be  
pending. Once these issues are resolved/decisioned then Mayor DiDonato  
and Councilman, Joe Giraldo will then be excused and the remaining  
members will then take any Zoning issues that are pending. This process  
is done because if anyone disputes the Zoning decision they can appeal to  
Mayor and Council. We want to avoid prejudice.

When an application comes in the Board Secretary will determine which  
type of request is being asked for consideration and put on agenda  
accordingly. If landowner is bringing a large project to the board for  
consideration they will be asked to have an informal meeting with the  
Development Review Committee (DRC) so that they can do preliminary  
review of project and educate the applicant on the best way to present  
their case. Once this has taken place they will be referred to the  
Environmental Commission for review and then be placed on the next  
possible meeting agenda. The board feels that this is in the best interest  
of the applicant as it will save them time and money.

Board members were asked to not visit sites after applicant appears before  
the board or enter into discussion with anyone regarding details or  
possible decision until the resolutions are memorialized at the meeting.

We will be set meeting time deadlines so that meetings don't carry on too  
late in the evening.

No cell phones are to be on during meetings.

The public was asked to speak if anyone wished to be heard. None came forward.  
Meeting was adjourned.

