HARDWICK TOWNSHIP PLANNING/LAND USE BOARD SEPTEMBER 10, 2020

There was the regular meeting of the Hardwick Township Planning/Land Use Board on Thursday, September 10, 2020 held via Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chairman McKim. He led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance and he stated that proper notice of this meeting has been given in compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act".

ROLL CALL:

The following Planning Board Members were present: Mayor Kevin Duffy, Jim McKim, John Lovell, Edwin Fisher, Jodi Butler, Lori Gold (arriving at 7:30 p.m.) Fred Butcher, William Hughes, Alfia Schemm. Board Members Absent: Cynthia Caffrey, Richard Oh, and Alfred Carrazzone.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Copies of the minutes of the meeting of August 13, 2020, were distributed to all Board Members prior to the meeting. Mr. McKim noted two minor typographical corrections.

Mr. Butcher made the motion to approve the minutes of August 13, 2020, as amended. Motion seconded by Mr. Hughes. In a roll call vote, all were in favor. Ms. Schemm abstained.

COMPLETENESS:

#20-203 Michele & Anthony DiStasio, Block 1003, Lot 3

Michele and Anthony DiStasio were present and Mr. DiStasio went on to describe their variance request. Board Engineer Rodman reviewed his September 8, 2020 report and he recommended that the Board waive the requirement for #5 List of names, addresses, lot and block numbers as they appear on the Tax Map.

Mr. Lovell made the motion to deem the application conditionally complete. Motion seconded by Mr. Butcher. In a roll call vote, all were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

#20-002 Rachel J. Mandel and Charles S. Phillips Jr., Block 301-Lot 7

Board Secretary Schemm advised that the Applicant did not provide notice for this evening's meeting as they are awaiting to hear the outcome of the Fence Ordinance discussion. Board Attorney Gavan stated that the application will be held until it is noticed or formally withdrawn.

Mr. Phillips was present and he confirmed that they are waiting to hear tonight's discussion on the proposed fence ordinance revision before moving forward with their application.

MEMORIALIZING RESOLUTIONS:

#19-002 Benbrook Enterprises, Block 1202, Lot 1

Chairman McKim noted a few minor corrections.

Mr. Lovell made the motion to adopt the Resolution as amended. Motion seconded by Mr. Hughes. In a roll call vote, all were in favor.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Fence Ordinance 2020-04

Chairman McKim went on to review the discussions that were had in regards to the present Fence Ordinance and the modifications being suggested in the proposed ordinance. The Board Members agreed to the modifications being proposed and recommended that the Township Committee adopt the Ordinance upon confirming the accuracy of the ordinance numbers.

Liaison Update-General Township Matters

Mayor Duffy updated the Board on the Route 80 rock wall. Ms. Gold arrived.

MEMORIALIZING RESOLUTIONS:

#19-002 Benbrook Enterprises, Block 1202, Lot 1

Board Secretary Schemm asked if she could have a revote on the Resolution, as there are a number of Board Members that are not eligible to vote, as they were not present during the original hearing.

Mr. Hughes made the motion to adopt the Resolution. Motion seconded by Mr. Butcher. In a roll call vote, all were in favor, except for Ms. Butler, Mr. Lovell, Mr.

Fisher, and Ms. Gold, who were not present during the original hearing and Ms. Schemm, who abstained.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

In a motion made and seconded the meeting was opened to the public. With there being no public comment, the meeting was closed to the public.

BILLS:

NJ HERALD 17.10 Express Times 110.05 Alfia Schemm-Postage 46.20

Mr. Lovell made the motion to approve the vouchers. Motion seconded by Mr. Fisher. In a roll call vote, all were in favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

In a motion made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Alfia Schemm Board Secretary

(From notes-audio not recorded)