

**MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD
MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP, SOMERSET COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
REORGANIZATION AND REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 15, 2013**

MINUTES

Chairman Walker called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. and read the opening statement which affirmed that adequate notice of the meeting had been posted and sent to the officially designated newspapers.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Drift; Mr. Gamache; Mr. Gale; Mr. Thompson; Mr. Walker; Mr. Wilson; Mr. Voitach; Mr. Cheskis, Alternate #1; Mr. Francolini, Alternate #2; Mr. Post, Alternate #3

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Drill, Board Attorney, Ms. Coppola, Board Planner, Mr. Cline, Board Engineer, Mr. Palmer, Zoning Officer; Christine Madrid, Township Committee Liaison

I. REORGANIZATION

A. Appointment of Temporary Chairman

Mr. Palmer was nominated as Temporary Chairman by Mr. Walker, which was seconded by Mr. Voitach. This carried on the following roll call vote. The nomination carried unanimously.

B. Election of Officers

1. Call for Nominations for Chairman

Mr. Walker was nominated as Chairman by Mr. Gamache, which was seconded by Mr. Wilson. There were no further nominations. Mr. Wilson motioned to close nominations, which was seconded by Mr. Gamache. This carried on the following voice call vote: Ayes (7) Nays (0)

The following roll call vote was taken for Jerry Walker as Chairman:

Ayes: Drift, Gamache, Gale, Thompson, Wilson and Voitach

Nays: None

Abstentions: Walker

2. Call for Nominations for Vice Chairman

Mr. Gamache was nominated as Vice Chairman by Mr. Wilson, which was seconded by Mr. Cheskis. There were no further nominations. Chairman Walker motioned to close nominations, which was seconded by Mr. Drift. This carried on the following voice call vote: Ayes (7) Nays (0)

The following roll call vote was taken for Mr. Gamache as Vice Chairman:

Ayes: Drift, Gale, Thompson, Wilson, Voitach and Walker

Nays: None

Abstentions: Gamache

3. Call for Nominations for Chair Pro Temp

Mr. Voitach was nominated as Chair Pro Temp by Chairman Walker, which was seconded by Mr. Wilson. There were no further nominations. Chairman Walker motioned to close nominations, which was seconded by Mr. Thompson. This carried on the following voice call vote: Ayes (7) Nays (0)

The following roll call vote was taken for Mr. Voitach as Chair Pro Temp.

Ayes: Drift, Gamache, Gale, Thompson, Wilson and Walker

Nays: None

Abstentions: Voitach

C. Appointment of Recording Secretary – Joseph Palmer

Mr. Palmer was appointed as Recording Secretary by Chairman Walker, which was seconded by Vice Chairman Gamache. This carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Drift, Gamache, Gale, Thompson, Wilson, Voitach and Walker

Nays: None

D. Meeting Schedule

BE IT RESOLVED by the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Township of Montgomery that the monthly meetings of the Board will be scheduled on the following dates in 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building located at 2261 Van Horne Road (Route 206) Belle Mead, New Jersey, but provided further that the Zoning Board will ordinarily meet on one date per month with the other scheduled meeting date to be utilized only as may be necessary for special circumstances. Special work sessions scheduled periodically will be noticed as required upon scheduling. The following notice shall be sent to the officially designated newspapers.

February 19	July 16, 23	January 21, 2014
March 19, 26	August 20, 27	
April 16, 23	September 17, 24	
May 21, 28	October 15, 22	
June 18, 25	November 19, 26	
	December 17	

Vice Chairman Gamache made a motion to adopt the meeting schedule, which was seconded by Chairman Walker. This carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Drift, Gamache, Gale, Thompson, Wilson, Voitach and Walker

Nays: None

E. Designation of the Official Newspaper

The official newspapers for legal municipal advertising and notice shall be the Courier News. All legal notices to be published must appear in an official newspaper as stipulated by the NJ-MLUL.

A motion to designate the official newspaper was made by Chairman Walker, which was seconded by Mr. Voitach. This carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Drift, Gamache, Gale, Thompson, Wilson, Voitach and Walker

Nays: None

F. Appointment of Subcommittee

1. Site Plan/Subdivision Committee (meets the 2nd Monday of each month)

Member 1: Mr. Cheskis

G. NJ Federation of Planning Officials - Renewal of Membership

Combination Membership - Zoning Board Membership - \$180.00

A motion to renew the membership was made by Chairman Walker, which was seconded by Mr. Wilson. This carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Drift, Gamache, Gale, Thompson, Wilson, Voitach and Walker

Nays: None

H. Appointment of Professional Services under the "Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law"

Chairman Walker read a resolution to appoint the following professionals.

- 1. Appointment of Legal Counsel – Stickel, Koenig, Sullivan and Drill**
- 2. Appointment of Board Planner – Coppola and Coppola Associates**
- 3. Appointment of Traffic Engineer – McDonough and Rea Associates**
- 4. Appointment of Landscape Architect – Richard Bartolone**
- 5. Appointment of Board Engineer – Remington, Vernick & Vena Engineers, Inc.**

A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Vice Chairman Gamache, which was seconded by Mr. Thompson. This carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Drift, Gamache, Gale, Thompson, Wilson, Voitach and Walker

Nays: None

I. Adoption of Procedures, Rules and Regulations Dated 1/1/2013 and the Resolution Memorializing said Adoption

A motion was made by Mr. Drift, which was seconded by Chairman Walker. This was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Drift, Gamache, Gale, Thompson, Wilson, Voitach and Walker

Nays: None

II. RESOLUTIONS

Ms. Coppola's memo will be part of the Zoning Board's annual report to the Planning Board and Township Committee. The Board comments will be discussed with the Master Plan Committee.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.