

**MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD
MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP, SOMERSET COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
REORGANIZATION AND REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2017**

MINUTES

Ms. Savron called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. and read the opening statement that adequate notice of the meeting had been posted and sent to the officially designated newspapers.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Cheskis; Mr. DeRochi; Mr. Mani; Mr. Matthews; Mr. Sarle; Mayor Trzaska; Mr. Chang, Alternate No. 2

ALSO PRESENT: Francis P. Linnus; Lori Savron

I. SWEARING IN OF NEW MEMBERS

Attorney Linnus swore in new members Mayor Trzaska, Mr. DeRochi, Mr. Cheskis and Mr. Sarle

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. REORGANIZATION

A. Election of Officers

1. Call for Nominations for Chairman

A nomination of Mr. Cheskis was made by Mayor Trzaska and seconded by Mr. Mani.

There being no further nominations, a motion to close nominations was made by Mr. Matthews, which was seconded by Mayor Trzaska. This carried on the following voice call vote: Ayes (7) Nays (0)

The following roll call vote was taken for Mr. Cheskis as Chairman:
Ayes: Cheskis, DeRochi, Mani, Matthews, Sarle, Trzaska and Chang
Nays: None

2. Call for Nominations for Vice Chairman

The nomination of Mr. Matthews was made by Mayor Trzaska and seconded by Mr. Sarle.

There being no further nominations, a motion to close nominations was made by Mr. Sarle, which was seconded by Mr. DeRochi. This carried on the following voice call vote: Ayes (7) Nays (0)

The following roll call vote was taken for Mr. Matthews as Vice Chairman:
Ayes: Cheskis, DeRochi, Mani, Matthews, Sarle, Trzaska and Chang
Nays: None

3. Call for Nominations for Secretary

The nomination of Mr. Wilson was made by Vice Chairman Matthews and seconded by Mr. Sarle.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Sarle made a motion to close the nominations which was seconded by Mr. DeRochi. This carried on the following voice call vote: Ayes (7) Nays (0)

The following roll call was taken for Mr. Wilson as Secretary:
Ayes: Cheskis, DeRochi, Mani, Matthews, Sarle, Trzaska and Chang
Nays: None

B. Appointment of Recording Secretary– Lori Savron

The nomination of Ms. Savron as Recording Secretary was made by Vice Chairman Matthews, which was seconded by Mr. Mani. This was carried on the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Cheskis, DeRochi, Mani, Matthews, Sarle, Trzaska and Chang
Nays: None

C. Meeting Schedule

1. PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Planning Board of the Township of Montgomery the regular monthly meetings of the Board will be held on the following dates in 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building located at 2261 Van Horne Road (Route 206), Belle Mead, New Jersey. Special work sessions scheduled periodically will be noticed as required upon scheduling. Formal action may be taken. All interested persons may attend and be heard. The following notice shall be mailed to the officially designated newspapers.

February 6	July 3, 17	December 4, 18
March 6, 20	August 7, 21	January 8, 2018
April 3, 17	September 18	
May 1, 15	October 2, 16	
June 5, 19	November 6, 20	

A motion to adopt the Planning Board meeting schedule was made by Mayor Trzaska, which was seconded by Mr. Sarle. This was carried on the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Cheskis, DeRochi, Mani, Matthews, Sarle, Trzaska and Chang
Nays: None

2. SITE PLAN/SUBDIVISION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Planning Board of the Township of Montgomery that the Site Plan/Subdivision Committee regular monthly meetings will be held on the following dates in 2017 at 8:30 a.m. in the Municipal Building located at 2261 Van Horne Road (Route 206), Belle Mead, New Jersey. Special work sessions scheduled periodically will be noticed as required upon scheduling. The following notice shall be mailed to the officially designated newspapers. All interested persons may attend those portions of the meeting that the applicant is being heard.

February 7	August 1
March 7	September 5
April 4	October 3
May 2	November 7
June 6	December 5
July 5	

A motion to adopt the Site Plan/Subdivision Committee meeting schedule was made by Vice Chairman Matthews and seconded by Mayor Trzaska. This was carried on the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Cheskis, DeRochi, Mani, Matthews, Sarle, Trzaska and Chang
Nays: None

D. 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 Mr. Mani and seconded by Mr. Sarle. This was carried on the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Cheskis, DeRochi, Mani, Matthews, Sarle, Trzaska and Chang
Nays: None

E. Appointment of Subcommittees

1. Site Plan/Subdivision Committee

Member 1: Mr. Cheskis*	Member 2: Mr. Matthews
Member 3: Mayor Trzaska	Member 4: Mr. Conforti

*There was a question as to whether Mr. DeRochi could be a member since he is also on the Zoning Board. If it is determined that Mr. DeRochi can be a member of the Site Plan/Subdivision Committee he will replace Chairman Cheskis.

2. Master Plan/Land Development Ordinance Update Committee

Member 1: Mr. Cheskis	Member 2: Mr. DeRochi
Member 3: Mayor Trzaska	Member 4: Mr. Conforti

3. Planning Board Liaison to TAC

Member 1: Mr. DeRochi

4. Planning Board Liaison to Economic Development Commission

Member 1: Mr. Mani

F. NJ Federation of Planning Officials - Renewal of Membership

Combination Membership - Planning Board Membership – \$185.00

A motion to renew the NJPO membership was made by Mr. Sarle, which was seconded by Vice Chairman Matthews. This was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Cheskis, DeRochi, Mani, Matthews, Sarle, Trzaska and Chang

Nays: None

G. Appointment of Professional Services under the “Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law”

Resolution to be read,

- 1. Appointment of Legal Counsel – Francis P. Linnus, Esquire**
- 2. Appointment of Board Planner – Clarke Caton Hintz**
- 3. Appointment of Traffic Engineer – NV5**
- 4. Appointment of Landscape Architect – Richard Bartolone**
- 5. Appointment of Board Engineer – Remington Vernick & Vena Engineers**

A motion to appoint the professional staff was made by Mr. Sarle, which was seconded by Mr. Mani. This was carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Cheskis, DeRochi, Mani, Matthews, Sarle, Trzaska and Chang

Nays: None

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

V. RESOLUTIONS

Case PB-06-16 Applicant: Congregation Kehilat Shalom
Block 6001 and 6006 Lots 24 and 1, 2 & 3
Minor Subdivision with Variance

A motion to memorialize the resolution was made by Mr. DeRochi, which was seconded by Mr. Sarle. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Cheskis, Mani, Matthews and Sarle

Nays: None

VI. MINUTES

December 19, 2016 – Regular Meeting

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Vice Chairman Matthews, which was seconded by Mr. Sarle. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Cheskis, Matthews, DeRochi, Mani and Sarle

Nays: None

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.