



**BOROUGH OF HAWORTH
PLANNING BOARD
REORGANIZATION & REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at 8 PM

REORGANIZATION MEETING

Mayor Wasser opened the meeting at 8:06 pm with the Open Public Meeting Act Announcement: In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was made. It has been posted on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Center. Copies have been mailed to THE RECORD or THE SUBURBANITE. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting the same.

ROLL CALL 2023

The following were present: Mr. Adler, Mr. Anderson, Councilman Rosenberg, Mayor Wasser, Ms. Albalah, Mr. Contillo, Mr. Hirschorn

The following were absent: Mr. Troy, Dr, Pavell, Mr. Ezra

Also present: Board attorney, Board recording secretary

Mayor Wasser stated that the application on the agenda for this meeting will be carried to February 21.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE

Josh Hirschorn – 4 year term(2024-2027)

Andrew Rosenberg – 1 year term (2024)

Mr. Hirschorn was sworn in.

ROLL CALL 2024

The following were present: Mr. Adler, Mr. Anderson, Councilman Rosenberg, Mayor Wasser, Ms. Albalah, Mr. Contillo, Mr. Hirschorn

The following were absent: Mr. Troy, Dr, Pavell, Mr. Ezra

BOARD NOMINATIONS

Chairperson Ms. Albalah nominated Mr. Anderson, second Mr. Contillo. All in Favor. Carried.

Vice-Chairperson Mr. Anderson nominated Ms. Albalah, second Councilman Rosenberg. All in favor. Carried.

Secretary open



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The newly elected chair took the meeting. Mr. Contillo shared that he was delighted to have Mr. Anderson sit in this chair. He said that he met Mr. Anderson when he (Mr. Contillo) was the attorney for the Board and that Mr. Anderson was a remarkable, consistently prepared, conscientious member of the Board.

ADMINISTRATION OF APPOINTMENTS

(Mayor and Council consent resolution approval January 14, 2024)

Board Attorney – John J. D’Anton, Esq.

Board Engineer – Joe Vince, Schwanewede Hals & Vince

Board Planner – Caroline Reiter, T&M Associates

Recording Secretary – Martha Francis

Councilman Rosenberg moved to approve the appointments, second Ms. Albalah. All in favor. Carried. Councilman Rosenberg suggested that the Governing Body commend Mr. Troy for his service.

ADOPTION OF ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE for 2024

Planning Board meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at the Municipal Center at 8:00pm.

Jan 17	Feb 21	Mar 20	Apr 17	May 15	Jun 19
Jul 17	Aug 21	Sep 18	Oct 16	Nov 20	Dec 18

Mayor Wasser moved to adopt the meeting dates, second Mr. Contillo. All in favor. Carried.

ADJOURN REORGANIZATION MEETING The reorganization meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.

REGULAR MEETING

Mr. Anderson called the meeting to order immediately after the reorganization with the **OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT ANNOUNCEMENT**

ROLL CALL

The following were present: Mr. Adler, Mr. Anderson, Councilman Rosenberg, Mayor Wasser, Ms. Albalah, Mr. Contillo, Mr. Hirschorn

The following were absent: Mr. Troy, Dr, Pavell, Mr. Ezra

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

- December 20, 2023 Minutes Ms. Albalah moved to approve the minutes, second Mayor Wasser. Mr. Anderson pointed out that on the second page, second paragraph 18,000 should be 1800 and that in the fourth paragraph qualified should be followed by “as a professional planner.” All in favor. Carried.



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INVOICES FOR APPROVAL

Martha Francis	Attendance & Minutes (12/20.2023)	\$250.00
Amazon	Board Member Name Plates	<u>\$104.90</u>
	TOTAL	\$354.90

APPLICATIONS

1. 287 Lake Shore Dr. – Subdivision (carried to Feb.21, 2024) Anyone who missed the meeting in December must listen to the recording and certify same in order to vote on the application.

OLD BUSINESS

A Conflict Engineer has been appointed and seems very suitable. The plans for Massachusetts Avenue are finished. The meeting may be held in March. Discussion about whether the meeting should be held in chambers or elsewhere. The discussion should be on the February agenda. Perhaps it could be held in chambers on Zoom.

NEW BUSINESS An escrow ordinance is scheduled to be introduced on January 23. Then it will be brought to the Planning Board for comment. This should be on the February agenda.

Mr. Anderson brought up issues with item 3, as well as the density variance, structure height, and the first line on page 6. The Board attorney will discuss with the Borough attorney.

Mr. Anderson pointed out that the Planning Board ordinance requires an Environmental Commission member be on the Planning Board and that as Mr. Anderson is no longer on the Environmental Commission there is not one. He asked Board members to consider joining the Environmental Commission.

OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC No public was present.

ADJOURNMENT Councilman Rosenberg moved to adjourn, second Mr. Adler. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

**Next scheduled Regular Planning Board Meeting
February 21, 2024 at 8:00pm**

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Francis
Recording Secretary