

Greenwich Planning Board

June 29, 2009 Minutes

The scheduled special meeting of the Greenwich Township Planning Board was held on the above date and was called to order by Chairman, Tom Bolger, at 7:30 P.M., in the Municipal Building.

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, PL, 1975, adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by:

1. Mailing a notice of the special meeting of the Greenwich Township Planning Board to the Express-Times and The Star-Ledger.
2. Posting a notice thereof on the Township bulletin board.
3. Filing a copy thereof with the Township Clerk.

The Board and members of the audience stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Tom Bolger, James Adams, Frank Marchetta, Michael Black, Joe Schiller, and Helio Carvalho.

Also present were: Jonathan Drill, Esq., Michael Finelli, P.E.,

Ordinance Referral/Master Plan Consistency Review

The Township Committee, introduced on first reading, two amendments to the zoning ordinance: 1. Ordinance No. 2009-08 “An ordinance to amend Chapter XVI, Zoning, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township regarding Extinguishment of Lighting.” 2. Ordinance No. 2009-09 “An ordinance to amend Chapter XVI, Zoning, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township regarding Hours of Operation of Businesses.”

The ordinances along with the June 19, 2009 letter to the Board from Carl Hintz, PP were distributed prior to the meeting.

After discussion, the Board determined that the two ordinances were consistent with the intent and purpose of the Master Plan for several reasons: Each of the non-residential zones all make reference to the need to recognize the aesthetics of the surrounding areas, and the sensitivity to neighboring residential districts. Also the scale and design of commercial development should be designed to support small scale,

everyday shopping and services assembled together in an attractive, convenient destination to primarily serve local and nearby consumer demand.

Mr. Schiller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Adams, to send a report to the Township Committee stating that the Planning Board determined that Ordinance # 2009-08 and Ordinance # 2009-09, were both consistent with the Greenwich Township Master Plan. Roll call vote showed the following result: 6 yes votes by – Joe Schiller, Jim Adams, Frank Marchetta, Helio Carvalho, Mike Black, and Tom Bolger. Motion carried.

Mr. Marchetta made a motion to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Drill, Esq.