BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES

January 3, 2023 – Re-Organization

Stephanie Merola called to order the Borough of South Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustment Re-Organization meeting at 6:30pm in the Council Chambers.

Please stand for the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. This meeting was held in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act and as such, proper notice of this meeting was published in The Observer, The Courier News and The Star Ledger providing same to the Borough Clerk. It is the policy of the South Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustments, not to hear any new applications after 10:00 pm and no new witnesses after 10:30 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Ken Bonanno
Darlene Cullen
James Gustafson
Cindy Eichler
Gino Leonardis
Scott Miller, (Alt. 2)
Joseph Scrudato (Alt. 1)
April Wasnick

Absent: Frank Lemos

Also attending: Matthew Flynn, Esq.; Timothy Jensen;

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint the CHAIRMAN. Cindy Eichler nominated *Gino Leonardis* as **CHAIRMAN**, seconded by Darlene Cullen. Those in Favor: Mr. Bonnao, Mrs. Cullen, Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler, Mr. Leonardis, Mr. Miller, Mr. Scrudato, Ms. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint the VICE CHAIRMAN. Cindy Eichler nominated *James Gustafson* as **VICE CHAIRMAN**, seconded by Darlene Cullen. Those in Favor: Mr. Bonnao, Mrs. Cullen, Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler, Mr. Leonardis, Mr. Miller, Mr. Scrudato, Ms. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint LEGAL COUNSEL. Cindy Eichler nominated *Savo, Schalk, Gillespie, O'Grodnick & Fisher, PA – Matthew Flynn, Esq.* as LEGAL COUNSEL, seconded by Kenneth Bonnano Those in Favor: Mr. Bonnao, Mrs. Cullen, Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler, Mr. Leonardis, Mr. Miller, Mr. Scrudato, Ms. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint CONFLICT ATTORNEY. Cindy Eichler nominated *PRB Attorneys at Law* as **CONFLICT ATTORNEY**, seconded by Darlene Cullen .Those in Favor: Those in Favor: Mr. Bonnao, Mrs. Cullen, Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler, Mr. Leonardis, Mr. Miller, Mr. Scrudato, Ms. Wasnick. Those Oppose:

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint BOARD ENGINEER. Cindy Eichler nominated **T&M Associates – Andrew Denbigh** as **BOARD ENGINEER**, seconded by Darlene Cullen. Those in Favor: Mr. Bonnao, Mrs. Cullen, Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler, Mr. Leonardis, Mr. Miller, Mr. Scrudato, Ms. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint CONFLICT ENGINEER. Cindy Eichler nominated *Najarian Associates*, seconded by April Wasnick. Those in Favor: Mr. Bonnao, Mrs. Cullen, Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler, Mr. Leonardis, Mr. Miller, Mr. Scrudato, Ms. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint BOARD PLANNER. Cindy Eichler nominated **T&M Associates** as **BOARD PLANNER**, seconded by Darlene Cullen. Those in Favor: Mr. Bonnao, Mrs. Cullen, Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler, Mr. Leonardis, Mr. Miller, Mr. Scrudato, Ms. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

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Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint TRC MEMBERS. James Gustafson made motion to nominate April Wasnick, Frank Lemos, Joeseph Scrudato and Kenneth Bonnano as an Alternate, seconded by Cindy Elicher. Those in Favor: Mr. Bonnao, Mrs. Cullen, Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler, Mr. Leonardis, Mr. Miller, Mr. Scrudato, Ms. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint BOARD RECORDING SECRETARY. James Gustafson nominated **Stephanie Merola** as **BOARD RECORDING SECRETARY**, seconded by Cindy Eichler. Those in Favor: Mr. Bonnao, Mrs. Cullen, Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler, Mr. Leonardis, Mr. Miller, Mr. Scrudato, Ms. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to appoint OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS. James Gustafson nominated **South Plainfield Observer, The Courier News and The Star Ledger**, seconded by Cindy Eichler. Those in Favor: Mr. Bonnao, Mrs. Cullen, Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler, Mr. Leonardis, Mr. Miller, Mr. Scrudato, Ms. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Ms. Merola called for a motion to adopt the **2022 SCHEDULED MEETING DATES**. April Wasnick made motion, seconded by Cindy Eichler. Those in Favor: Mr. Bonnao, Mrs. Cullen, Mr. Gustafson, Mrs. Eichler, Mr. Leonardis, Mr. Miller, Mr. Scrudato, Ms. Wasnick. Those Oppose: None.

Adjournment: 6:43 pm.

Respectfully Submitted Stephanie Merola Zoning Board of Adjustment Secretary