

THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST
Planning Board
Meeting Minutes – 6 September 2017 5 p.m.

Chairman Davenport called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and lead the Pledge of Allegiance. The statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings act of 1975 was read by the chairman.

Roll call was taken by the secretary: Alvarado, present; Compare, absent; Davenport, present; Melchiorre, present; Schiff, present; Sciarra, present; Hunt, present; Mettler, present; Gould, present; Groom, present; Solicitor Belasco, present; Board Planner, Michelle Taylor, present; Zoning Official Malia, absent; Secretary Rogers, present.

Mrs. Gould moved to dispense with the public reading of the minutes of the meeting of 2 August 2017 and approve with one correction – Planner Michelle Taylor was present at the meeting - Mr. Alvarado seconded. Roll call: Alvarado, yes; Hunt, yes; Sciarra, abstain; Schiff, abstain; Melchiorre, abstain; Mettler, abstain; D'Antonio, yes; Davenport, yes; Gould, yes; Groom, yes. Minutes approved as distributed.

There were no applications to come before the Board.

There were no resolutions memorializing Board actions.

There were no administrative resolutions.

Under Old Business, the Secretary reported that the Reading Report regarding Fair Share Housing has been released, and a hearing is scheduled for 27 September.

Mr. Groom said improvements to waterfront facilities on Sunset Lake will not take place until next year. Regarding dredging he said that the state of NJ has arranged for a meeting to address a long term plan for the island. The state and affected municipalities are seeking an overall solution to the build-up issue. Plans are currently in the works for the state channel. Answering Mr. Mettler, Mr. Groom said this action is probably three to four years in the future.

Planner Michelle Taylor distributed their report titled "Community Design" (attached hereto and made part hereof) and guided the Board through the observations and recommendations therein. The Board entered into discussion of the points of the report and additional concerns regarding the north-south streets and duplex construction, height requirements and the need for changes to the Land Use Ordinance. It was concluded that a subcommittee should be formed to further discuss and examine concerns and report to the Board at the October meeting. Board Chairman Davenport, Vice-Chairman Alvarado and Board Member Hunt will serve on the committee; Planner Michelle Taylor, Solicitor Belasco, Secretary Rogers and Zoning Official Malia will also attend the meeting.

Under New Business, the Secretary brought forth a request from Zoning Official Patrick Malia for the Board to render an opinion on the use of impervious pavers for driveways and front walkways as these are not specifically permitted in the Borough Land Use Ordinance. Board members and Planner Michelle Taylor unanimously agreed that pavers should be allowed for driveways and other permissible impervious coverage in front yards.

No members of the public spoke.

There are no applications to come before the Board on 4 October 2017. The Board will meet on that date.

There being no further business, Chairman Davenport adjourned the meeting on motion of Mrs. Gould, second by Mr. Sciarra, and unanimous voice vote, at 6:30 p.m.

Date _____ Planning Board Secretary _____