BOROUGH OF WOODBINE COUNTY OF CAPE MAY LAND USE BOARD SUMMARY MINUTES March 12, 2025

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING was called to order by Chairperson Fisher at 6:13 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Becica, Councilman Bennett, Ms. Childs, Mr. Louis Ciabatoni, Chairperson Fisher, and Mr. Phillip.

Also, in attendance were Solicitor Jon Batastini, Board Professional, Lewis H. Conley, and Board Secretary Monserrate Gallardo.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Ovens. Mr. Harry Ciabatoni notified the Secretary via email that he would be unable to attend this meeting. Vice-Chair Lees, Mr. Petro, and Ms. Prettyman also notified the Secretary via email that they would be unable to attend this meeting.

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act by notifying the Cape May County Herald on January 15, 2025, and by posting a copy of said notice on the Lobby Bulletin Board, of the Borough Hall and on the Borough Website.

An audio recording of this Open Public Meeting is filed with the Secretary of the Board.

Chairperson Fisher led the Board to the Pledge of Allegiance. Solicitor Batastini mentioned where people were to stand regarding the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES for February 12, 2025, as prepared by the Secretary was:

OFFERED BY: Mr. Phillip SECONDED BY: Councilman Bennet

ROLL CALL: 4 Voted in Favor

2 Abstained 0 Opposed

Mr. Louis Ciabatoni, and Ms. Becica abstained.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Board Professional Lewis Conley Jr. had nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance 633-2024

/Solicitor Jon Batastini Letter Dated March 12, 2025 Review

Solicitor Batastini stated that Borough Council requested to have the Land Use Board Members take a second look at the above-listed ordinance. He summarized the situation, and he stated that Brough Council wanted to see if any Board Members had changed their opinions regarding the ordinance and what was done. He stated that there were residents who had come out to the last Borough Council Meeting and expressed concern with the R1-Zone change. Solicitor Batastini stated that he drafted a letter to let Mayor, and Council know that nothing had changed, and that the change that was previously done was still not inconsistent with the Master Plan. A motion was made and seconded to have the secretary send the letter forward to the Mayor and Council. Before a vote was taken, Solicitor Batastini asked if there was any discussion regarding the matter. There was no discussion.

MOTION TO RECOMMEND THAT THE SECRETARY FORWARD THE LETTER DRAFTED BY SOLICITOR JON BATASTINI DATED MARCH 12, 2025, STATING THE DECISION MADE BY THE WOODBINE CONSOLIDATED LAND USE BOARD REGARDING ORDINANCE 633-2024 STILL STOOD AND NOTHING HAD CHANGED was:

OFFERED BY: Mr. Louis Ciabatoni SECONDED BY: Mr. Phillip

ROLL CALL: 6 Voted in Favor

0 Abstained 0 Opposed

Recommendations from the Engineer: Nothing to report.

Recommendations from the Solicitor: Solicitor Batastini reported on a letter that was to be sent to the CFO requesting to include in the monthly escrow report all outstanding and unpaid invoices to be paid from the Land Use Escrows. A motion was made and seconded to send said letter to the CFO and/or the Borough.

MOTION TO SEND A LETTER FROM THE WOODBINE CONSOLIDATED LAND USE BOARD TO THE CFO AND/OR THE BOROUGH REQUESTING TO INCLUDE IN THE MONTHLY ESCROW REPORT ALL OUTSTANDING AND UNPAID INVOICES TO BE PAID FROM THE LAND USE ESCROWS was:

OFFERED BY: Councilman Bennett SECONDED BY: Ms. Linette

ROLL CALL: 6 Voted in Favor

0 Abstained 0 Opposed

The Secretary stated that she would start sending the emailed Pinelands' Newsletter when it came in to the Board Members.

There being no other official business to come before the Board, Chairperson Fisher called for a motion for adjournment at 6:25 P.M.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT:

OFFERED BY: Chairperson Fisher SECONDED BY: Councilman Bennett

ROLL CALL: All Present Voted in Favor

Respectfully submitted by:

Monserrate Gallardo

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