

OFFICAL MINUTES APPROVED 12/7/2021

**MILLSTONE BOROUGH
PLANNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 3, 2021**

In Compliance with the recent NJ State Executive Orders, the meeting will be held virtually. The meeting was held via the Zoom Meeting program

The meeting will begin at 7:30 pm

Join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

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Mr. Denne called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. There were no members of the public present.

Mr. Denne . Piskowski, read the following statement:

“The regular meeting of the Millstone Borough Planning Board will please come to order. Adequate notice of this meeting has been noticed to the Courier News and posted at Borough Hall. If any member of this body believes this meeting is being held in violation of the Open Public Meetings Act, please state your views at this time, stating the reason for which you feel the notice is improper. Hearing none, we will proceed to the next item on the agenda.”

Roll Call:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Clint Bowers		X
Dan Devoti	X	
Matthew Denne	X	
Dan Dixon		X
Jan Feger	X	
Christine Fung		X
Robert Galli	X	
Ray Heck	X	
Lawrence Tarantino		X
<u>Also Present:</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Denise Piskowski, Board Secretary	X	

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

On a motion by Mr. Devoti, seconded by Mr. Denne, the Board opened the meeting to the public.

Ms. Liz Hoeger, 239 Ann Street, asked the Board if there was a farm animal ordinance, specifically goats. Mr. Galli explained that this would be a Council matter. A discussion ensued about the environmental impact of having goats on properties with wells. The Mayor stated that the Health Officer had informed him that this was not considered a health issue.

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On a motion by Mr. Devoti, seconded by Mr. Denne, the Board closed the meeting to the public.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

Board discussed the invoices submitted by Mr. Van Dyke, Board Planner. Mr. Denne informed the Board that he had contacted Mr. Van Dyke about invoice 18862 as this work was not authorized by the Board. Mr. Van Dyke agreed to withdraw this invoice for payment. The following invoice submitted will not be paid.

- May 2021 Inv. 18862 General Board Services /Plan Endorsement \$ 476.00

Mr. Galli asked that the professionals add more detail on their invoices. Mr. Denne stated he would contact them.

On a motion by Mr. Devoti, seconded by Mr. Denne, and with a roll call vote, the following invoices submitted by Mr. Van Dyke were approved.

- June 2021 Inv. 18859 General Board Services /Plan Endorsement \$ 459.00
- June 2021 Inv. 18860 Redevelopment Plan \$ 561.00

Roll Call: Ayes: Denne, Devoti, Feger, Galli, Heck
Nays:
Abstain:

REPORTS/OPEN TO BOARD MEMBERS AND PROFESSIONALS

The Mayor informed the Board that he had attended a meeting with the County regarding the properties they owned in the Borough regarding possible contaminates or hazards. He told them that the Borough would have no responsibilities and they agreed.

Mayor explained some of the financing of the Borough for sewers and informed the Board that the Borough would not need to obtain any loans but might have to bond. The County would help the Borough with bonding if needed for the sewers. This would also increase the Borough's credit rating. The Mayor further explained that he was exploring infrastructure funding from the federal government. He also explained that he had contacted the County about blue acres funding for moving two homes on that are on the river to higher ground. Waiting for more feedback.

Mr. Devoti again, commented that blue acres funding would be very helpful, but there would need to be an equal swap of the properties.

Mr. Devoi informed the Board that there was a property on the west side of town that had junk and tires stored on the property as well as vegetative debris. The Mayor stated he would contact the homeowner to see if they would let the Borough use the vegetative debris to mulch Borough properties.

Dan Devoti asked if the September meeting would be in person. A discussion ensued. The Mayor explained that the current virtual meeting executive order had expired and that Council was going to work on an ordinance that would allow some Board members to be virtual and some to be in person at Borough Hall. A discussion ensued.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

There being no public in attendance the Board opened and closed the meeting to the public.

With an aye vote by all, the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:19 pm.

Denise Piskowski