

**REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOROUGH OF OGDENSBURG
LAND USE BOARD FOR
JANUARY 24, 2023, AT THE OGDENSBURG
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 14 HIGHLAND AVE.
OGDENSBURG, AT 7:00pm**

Roger Thomas, Esq. called the meeting to order.

Mr. Thomas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The notice requirement of P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, Sections 4 and 13 have been satisfied with a schedule of all meetings together with the time, location and agenda of same being sent to the NEW JERSEY HERALD and the NEW JERSEY SUNDAY HERALD and posted on the bulletin board at the Borough Hall on January 23, 2022.

OATH OF OFFICE TO THE FOLLOWING LAND USE BOARD MEMBERS by Roger Thomas Esq.:

Mayor George P. Hutnick	Class I Member	Term Expires 12-31-2023
Mike Marceau	Class II Member	Term Expires 12-31-2023
Ken Poyer	Class III Member	Term Expires 12-31-2023
Elliott Honig	Class IV Member	Term Expires 12-31-2026
Vacant	Alternate II	Term Expires 12-31-2024

ROLL CALL: Fierro, Fitzgibbons, Honig, Mayor Hutnick, Kibildis, Marceau, Poyer

Absent: Nasisi

Also present: Mike Vreeland, Engineer and Roger Thomas, Esq.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Mr. Thomas asked if there were any nominations for the Chair in 2023. Mr. Kibildis made a motion to elect Elliot Honig as Chairman of the Land Use Board. Seconded by Mr. Fierro. Mr. Thomas asked if there were any other nominations, there were none. The nominations were closed.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Fierro, Fitzgibbons, Honig, Hutnick, Kibildis, Marceau, Poyer

Nays: None Absent: Nasisi Abstain: None

Elliott Honig took over the meeting as the Land Use Board Chairman for 2023.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Mr. Kibildis made a motion to elect Pat Fitzgibbons as Vice Chairman of the Land Use Board. Seconded by Mr. Fierro.

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Chairman Honig commented if there are no other nominations. Mr. Thomas commented if there are no other nominations the nominations are closed and asked for a roll call vote.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Fierro, Fitzgibbons, Honig, Hutnick, Kibildis, Marceau, Poyer
Nays: None Absent: Nasisi Abstain: None

ELECTION OF SECRETARY

Mr. Kibildis made a motion to elect Robin Hough secretary to the Land Use Board. Seconded by Mr. Fitzgibbons.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Fierro, Fitzgibbons, Honig, Hutnick, Kibildis, Marceau, Poyer
Nays: None Absent: Nasisi Abstain: None

RESOLUTION FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Chairman Honig asked for a motion to approve the resolution everyone has in front of them for the fair and open contracts for professional services.

Mr. Fitzgibbons made that motion; seconded by Mr. Fierro.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Fierro, Fitzgibbons, Honig, Hutnick, Kibildis, Marceau, Poyer
Nays: None Absent: Nasisi Abstain: None

Chairman Honig commented for the record that is Dolan and Dolan for our Attorney, VanCleaf Engineering for both our planner and engineer.

RESOLUTION FOR 2023 MEETING DATES AND THE RESOLUTION FOR THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

Chairman Honig explained the meeting dates for 2023; our December meeting falls on December 26 so he made the decision to remove it all together. He didn't want any conflict to come up and borough hall office will be closed that day.

Chairman Honig asked if the resolutions can be combined. Mr. Thomas explained you can approve all of them.

Chairman Honig asked for a motion to approve the New Jersey Herald/Sunday New Jersey Herald for the official newspaper and the meeting dates for 2023 which will be posted in Borough Hall.

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Mr. Fitzgibbons made the motion; seconded by Mr. Fierro. All were in favor.

There was a brief discussion on the official newspaper.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Fierro made a motion to approve the **regular meeting minutes** and **executive session minutes** for November 22, 2022. Seconded by Mr. Kibildis.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Fierro, Honig, Hutnick, Kibildis, Marceau

Nays: None Absent: Nasisi Abstain: Fitzgibbons, Poyer

APPLICATIONS FOR COMPLETENES:

There are no applications for completeness

APPLICATIONS TO BE HEARD

There are no applications to be heard

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Local Planning Services Grant

Chairman Honig asked if there was an update. Ms. Hough explained the committee will be meeting either January 30, February 1 or February 7; then explained who was on the committee.

Chairman Honig commented if you need somebody and he is available to let him know. Mr. Fierro commented if you can't make it let him know.

International Maintenance Code [Ordinance review]

Chairman Honig asked Mayor Hutnick for an update from Council on this. Mayor Hutnick commented we put that on hold temporarily and explained. Mayor Hutnick commented with everything that is going on he is sure he is the only one from Council that is reviewing it.

Councilman Poyer has reviewed it a little bit and explained his back ground. Councilman Poyer commented he thinks we should be a little stricter with some stuff; he sees some stuff around town and he isn't happy with it and he sees other stuff around town and he understands.

Mayor Hutnick commented on trash around houses which changes the property values it brings in rodents. Spring, summer and fall you have to maintain trees, grass which is all property maintenance.

Chairman Honig commented we spent a lot of time on this and we did have our zoning officer review it; he brought up a couple of points and we discussed it. We probably spent a good four meetings going through it; updating it and trying to figure out what was right; but he also thinks

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there is still room for improvement in it. Chairman Honig commented he wants to make sure it isn't forgotten about.

Mayor Hutnick asked Ms. Hough to put it on the [Council] agenda for the next meeting.

Chairman Honig commented there were a lot of definitions updated; he would like to get some feed back but he understands there is a lot going on.

Park Grant

Chairman Honig asked about the survey that came out after the packets went out.

Mike Vreeland, Engineer commented our survey group got out there and did the field work so we finished the survey. Ms. Hough handed out copies for the survey. Mr. Vreeland commented we didn't survey every inch of the property but we surveyed behind the fire house, basketball court and that recreation area and we also surveyed the area around the baseball field where the trail [walking path] would go. Mr. Vreeland commented the field work has been done so probably the next step is to try and put together budget numbers for the things we were considering, redoing the basketball courts.

Mayor Hutnick asked he wanted to know if we redo the basketball courts can we add a pickleball court.

Chairman Honig commented he is hoping we can start moving forward on this but a lot of this falls on the Council at this point.

Mr. Fitzgibbons explained an article in the Star Ledger regarding funds being distributed from the Legislation recently passed grants and ad for all the States.

Mr. Vreeland explained there is a lot of administrative work that goes into a grant.

Zoning Map & zoning ordinance review

Chairman Honig commented we have been discussing the zoning map and zoning ordinance review; in November we talked about possibly setting aside funds to update the zoning map. So, we do have the funds available for use; he knows there is a lot of leg work to go through that. In order to have an updated zoning map we need to go through all of our ordinances to see what has been modified.

2023 Land Use Board Budget

Chairman Honig commented he assumes the Borough is still working on this. Mayor Hutnick commented we had our first meeting.

2023 Goals

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Chairman Honig commented he has some goals that he would like to see get done and accomplished throughout the year. He has some things in mind but he would like to have some input. Some of the stuff we have been talking about such as the zoning review and the tax map. He would like to see the property maintenance either get kicked out or kicked back to get some update with that. Two of the things he thinks we talked about that we wanted to address this year is air b and b/rentals as well as solar panels within our ordinances. Commercial property maintenance to look at that separately. He would also like to see our alternate positions filled they have been vacant for a long time.

Chairman Honig asked if any board members had anything to add.

Chairman Honig thanked Councilman Poyer for being part of the Board.

CORRESPONDENCE

Chairman Honig explained the correspondence.

- CCO and Zoning Report November and December, 2022.
- Letter received December 12, 2022 to the Borough of Ogdensburg Re: Cellco Partnership and its controlled affiliates doing business as Verizon Wireless – Ogdensburg – Sterling Hill Mine / Trileaf Project #716729.

BILLS/VOUCHERS

Mr. Fierro made a motion to approve the bills and vouchers. Seconded by Mr. Fitzgibbons.

Upon Roll call Vote:

Yeas: Fierro, Fitzgibbons, Honig, Hutnick, Kibildis, Marceau, Poyer

Nays: None Absent: Nasisi Abstain: None

- Invoice No. 6202-53 from Van Cleef Engineering Associates, Mike Vreeland, Board Engineer in the amount of \$130.00.
- Invoice No. 6290002-22 from Van Cleef Engineering Associates, Mike Vreeland, Board Engineer in the amount of \$195.00 from escrow account Interstate Industrial.
- Invoice No. 6290002-23 from Van Cleef Engineering Associates, Mike Vreeland, Board Engineer in the amount of \$130.00 from escrow account Interstate Industrial.

Mayor Hutnick updated the Board on what Altice presented to the Mayor and Council at their last night; they are going to start pulling fiber through town. They will let us know when the

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start date will be; they are basically going to hit all the telephone poles; underground is going to be a second phase.

Chairman Honig asked is it all aerial or is its Main Street aerial like the gas company did.

Mayor Hutnick commented they are putting a plan together to come up Main Street first then going to follow hitting everything they can aerial and then they are going to come back and do underground.

Mr. Kibilis asked about isolated places like Arch Street.

Mayor Hutnick commented it is all aerial; they are doing a wire wrap they called it; basically, they are going to run new lines but wire wrap around the existing lines. It isn't just businesses it is going right to your house. They are going to give us a heads up when their start date is going to be and then it is four to six weeks.

Mr. Fierro asked if it was Planet Network. Mayor Hutnick commented this was Altice.

Mr. Fierro asked if Planet Network was coming through Ogdensburg too. Mayor Hutnick commented they were approved a long time ago.

PUBLIC PORTION

Chairman Honig commented there are no members of the public here.

ADJOURN

Mayor Hutnick made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Fitzgibbons. Chairman Honig adjourned the meeting approximately 7:36pm.

Prepared by
Robin Hough, RMC/CMR