

**BOROUGH OF ALLENTOWN
PLANNING BOARD
JANUARY 11, 2021**

Present: Thomas Fritts, Jennifer Elder Brady, Dan Payson, Allison Arnone, George Fallat, Joseph Fidler, Robert Mayer, Jeffrey McLaughlin, Lynne Meara, Jamie Ford, Ron Kuzma, and Thomas Monahan, Sr.

Absent:

Also, Present: Board Attorney Michelle Donato, Esq., Board Planner Andy Thomas, and Board Secretary April Claudio

Pursuant to the Sunshine Law, adequate notice in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act was provided to this meeting's date, time, place and agenda was mailed to the news media, posted on the Borough bulletin board, mailed to those requesting personal notice, and filed with the Municipal Clerk.

Ms. Donato administered the Oath of Office to Board members Ford, Elder-Brady, Payson and Fidler.

Mr. Fidler nominated Ms. Meara as Chairperson, which was seconded by Mr. Fallat and approved unanimously.

Mr. Fidler nominated Mr. Fallat as Vice Chairperson, which was seconded by Mr. Mayer and approved unanimously.

Mayor Fritts explained the Green Team committee. Their goal is to work on green practices within the Borough. Ms. Arnone was the Planning Board representative on the Green Team last year and will continue to serve.

Public comments on items not on the agenda: None

Ms. Arnone made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2020 meeting, which was seconded by Mr. McLaughlin and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ms. Elder-Brady, Mr. Payson, Ms. Arnone, Mr. Fallat, Mr. Fidler, Mr. Mayer, Mr. McLaughlin and Ms. Meara

NAYS:

ABSTAIN: Mr. Ford

Ms. Meara made a motion adopt the resolution establishing the 2021 official newspapers, which was seconded by Mr. Mayer and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ms. Elder-Brady, Mr. Payson, Ms. Arnone, Mr. Fallat, Mr. Fidler, Mr. Mayer, Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. Ford, and Ms. Meara

NAYS:

Ms. Elder-Brady made a motion to adopt the resolution appointing the Board's Professionals for 2021, which was seconded by Mr. Monahan and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ms. Elder-Brady, Mr. Payson, Ms. Arnone, Mr. Fallat, Mr. Fidler, Mr. Mayer, Mr. McLaughlin, Mr. Ford, and Ms. Meara

NAYS:

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Council Update: Mr. Payson gave an update on the Mayor and Council's activities. There were two COVID testing sites where 150 people attended. The County has approved speed enforcement zones. The sewer project is underway. Mayor Fritts stated they are continuing to work on the truck ban. A Traffic Committee has been created. The Environmental Commission is discussing the Indian Run dam.

Discussion on the steep slope ordinance will be postponed until Ms. Donato has a chance to review and make recommendations to Mr. Thomas.

Ms. Meara announced that Mr. Linzmayer has resigned and thanked him for his service.

Ms. Meara announced that Ms. Claudio obtained the Planning Board Secretary certification which was a requirement of her employment.

Mr. Fallat asked about the status of the Master Plan updates and ordinances. Mayor Fritts stated they will be on the next Council meeting agenda and asked Ms. Donato to attend.

Mr. Fallat had some concerns or recommendations on the steep slope ordinance which he will send to Ms. Donato.

Mr. Mayer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Fidler and approved unanimously.