# Knowlton Township Planning Board Minutes Tuesday, November 23, 2021

There was a regular meeting of the Knowlton Township Planning Board on Tuesday, November 23, 2021 via Zoom. Chairman Taylor led the Board in the flag salute at 7:32 p.m. He announced that adequate notice of the meeting has been provided in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" by publishing notice of all regularly scheduled meetings in the NJ Herald and Express Times-NJ Zone Edition, as well as providing said schedule in the Municipal Clerk's Office and the Township Website. A moment of silence was held for our Military Personnel serving in harm's way.

Roll call:	
Present:	Taylor, Glynn, Bromm, Drake, Starrs, Prosser, Costantino,
	and Smith
Absent:	Tironi, Cuntala, and Murray
Also Present:	Board Attorney Gavan, Board Planner Bloch, and Zoning Officer
	Snyder.

## **Approval of Minutes:**

Mr. Drake made the motion to adopt the minutes of October 26, 2021. Motion seconded by Ms. Costantino. Discussion on the motion: Chairman Taylor noted a minor correction. Roll call vote: Bromm-Yes, Glynn-Abstain, Drake-Yes, Starrs-Yes, Prosser-Abstain, Costantino-Yes, Smith-Yes, and Taylor-Yes.

## **Open to the Public:**

Chairman Taylor opened the meeting to the public at 7:35 p.m. With there being no public comment, the meeting was closed to the public at 7:35 p.m.

## **Other Business:**

#### Public Hearing on the Comprehensive Farmland Preservation Plan Update

Chairman Taylor opened the hearing of the Comprehensive Farmland Preservation Plan Update to the public. With there being no public comment, the hearing was closed to the public.

Mr. Bromm made the motion to adopt the Plan. Motion seconded by Mr. Drake. Roll call vote: Bromm-Yes, Glynn-Yes, Drake-Yes, Starrs-Yes, Prosser-Yes, Costantino-Yes, Smith-Yes, and Taylor-Yes.

The Board thanked Mr. McNinch and his team for their hard work. Mr. McNinch went on to thank his team, the Board, and the Township Committee.

### **Lighting Ordinance Discussion**

Mr. Snyder addressed his November 19, 2021 memo. He stated that this is a good time of year to drive around to look at Lighting and to see what may make sense for the Township. Residential and commercial lighting, security lighting, light spillage, source of lighting, a guidance document, lighting on timers, gas station lighting intensity, were all discussed at great length. Mr. Snyder stated that he can provide some suggestions for the Board's consideration. Board Planner Bloch entered the meeting and stated that he

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heard some of the discussion and he addressed regulating lighting via zoning districts. It was suggested that all parties get together/reach out, to see if something could be drafted for the Board to review.

Mr. Snyder then addressed the lack of noise standards, which the Board discussed. .

# **Public Officials Liability Policy**

Mayor Starrs reviewed the Township liability policy. .

## **Open to the Public:**

The meeting was opened to the public at 8:48 p.m.

Mr. McNinch stated that Board should give Mr. Snyder's lighting comments great weight as he is very knowledgeable.

With there being no further public comment, the meeting was closed to the public at 8:48 p.m..

# **Payment of Voucher:**

Mr. Bromm made the motion to approve the voucher. Motion seconded by Mr. Glynn. Roll call vote: Bromm-Yes, Glynn-Yes, Drake-Yes, Starrs-Yes, Prosser-Yes, Costantino-Yes, Smith-Yes, and Taylor-Yes.

## Adjournment:

In a motion made and seconded the meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m. In a voice vote, all were in favor.

**Respectfully Submitted:** 

Alfia Schemm Board Secretary 1/21/22