

PLANNING BOARD
BOROUGH OF ESSEX FELLS

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF APRIL, 13, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. The Open Public Meetings Act announcement was read by Chairman Burchell, as required by law. Those present were Chairman Bob Burchell, Bud D'Avella, Mayor Ed Davis, Brittany Gonzalez, Dave Isabel, Vice-Chairman Jody James, John King, and Secretary Peter McMullen.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Planning Board meeting of March 13, 2023 were discussed briefly. On a motion made by Jody James and seconded by Brittany Gonzalez, the minutes were approved unanimously by all those eligible to vote (5 – 0) (Chairman Bob Burchell, Vice-Chairman Jody James, Mayor Ed Davis and Members Brittany Gonzalez and John King voting in the affirmative).

Approval of Resolutions

Borough of Essex Fells

Oak Lane

Block 13, Lot 8

Preliminary and final site plan approval for development of a water treatment facility

Planning Board Attorney Michael Sullivan read the conditions as follows: 1) compliance with comments 1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 1.8 and 1.9 contained in the review memorandum prepared by Petry Engineering, LLC dated March 8, 2023. With respect to comment 1.4, a landscape plan shall be implemented including trees and shrubbery to provide supplemental screening for the benefit of adjacent residential uses in consultation with the Mayor and Council and subject to review and approval by the Borough Engineer as to location, type and timing of the plantings; 2) the applicant shall obtain all requisite governmental approvals including but not limited to NJDEP Treatment Works Approval and Hudson-Essex-Passaic Soil Conservation District approval and 3) the finish of the building shall be finalized in consultation with the Mayor and Council and the Borough Engineer. On motion made by Board Member Gonzalez, seconded by Board Member King, the resolution was approved by a vote of 3 – 0 (Mayor Davis and Board Members King and Gonzalez voting in the affirmative).

Hearings

None

Other Matters

Board Attorney Sullivan reminded board members that they may not discuss pending or anticipated cases with anyone outside the context of the public hearing. He reminded board members to file their Financial Disclosure Statement by April 30, 2023.

Public

Chairman Burchell asked if there were any public questions. Bud D'Avella stated that no one signed in from the public for the Zoom Meeting.

Adjournment

On a motion by Jody James and a second from Brittany Gonzalez, the meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote at 7:14 p.m.



Robert W. Burchell, Chairman
Planning Board
November 9, 2023