

RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE BOROUGH OF KENILWORTH  
HELD ON THURSDAY EVENING, JANUARY 5, 2023.

The meeting began with an affirmation of the Open Public Meetings Act. The schedule of meetings is on file in the Borough Clerks' office, was posted on the bulletin board, and has been mailed to the Local Source, and the Star Ledger.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Rich Picerno

**OATH OF OFFICE**

Chairman Rich Picerno administered the Oath of Office to:

Joseph Calello Planning Board Member Class 4  
Michael Scuderi, Alternate #1  
Councilman Mauro was absent.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Motion was made by Clementi, seconded by Calello to nominate Mr. Picerno as Planning Board Chairman for 2023. Roll Call: Picerno voted yes, David voted yes, Clementi voted yes, Mazzeo voted yes, Calello voted yes, Scuderi voted yes, DeMondo voted yes, Mr. Pantina voted yes.

Vice Chair David turned the meeting over to Chairman Picerno.

Mr. Picerno thanked the Board and said he is very proud to be in this position and will do everything he can for the betterment of this Borough.

Motion was made by Clementi, seconded by Mazzeo to nominate Gregg David as Planning Board Vice Chairman for year 2023. Roll Call: Picerno voted yes, David voted yes, Clementi voted yes, Pantina voted yes, Mazzeo voted yes, Calello voted yes, Scuderi voted yes, DeMondo voted yes.

**APPROVAL OF 2023 MEETING DATES**

Motion was made by Mr. Clementi, seconded by Mr. Mazzeo to approve the Planning Board Meeting dates for 2023. All in favor.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion was made by Mr. Mazzeo, seconded by Mr. Scuderi to approve the minutes for the December 8, 2022 Planning Board Meeting. All in favor.

RESOLUTIONS::

**PLANNING BOARD PLANNER – SHAMROCK ENTERPRISES, LTD**

Introduced by David  
Seconded by Mazzeo

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Fair and Open Process Rules of advertisements for proposals were published in the Local Source, proposals were received and reviewed by the Planning Board for the following Professional Services for the year 2023

**BOROUGH PLANNER**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** after review of said proposals, the Planning Boards nomination of **SHAMROCK ENTERPRISES, LTD** as Borough Planner for the Year 2023 at a rate of \$150.00 per hour, not to exceed \$12,000 per year be and the same is hereby confirmed.

Roll Call: Picerno voted yes, David voted yes, Clementi voted yes, Pantina voted yes, Mazzeo voted yes, Calello voted yes, Scuderi voted yes, DeMondo voted yes.

**RESOLUTION – PLANNING BOARD ENGINEER – HARBOR CONSULTANTS**

Introduced by David  
Seconded by Clementi

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Fair and Open Process Rule advertisements for proposals were published in the Local Source and posted on the Borough of Kenilworth's Web Site and proposals were received and reviewed for the following Professional Service for the Year 2023 which anticipated cost will be over \$17,500 per year:

**BOROUGH ENGINEER**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** after review of said proposals, the Planning Board's recommendation of **HARBOR CONSULTANTS** as **BOROUGH ENGINEER** for the Year 2023, be and the same is hereby confirmed.

Roll Call: Picerno voted yes, David voted yes, Clementi voted yes, Pantina voted yes, Mazzeo voted yes, Calello voted yes, Scuderi voted yes, DeMondo voted yes.

**RESOLUTION – PLANNING BOARD ATTORNEY – LOUIS RAGO, ESQ.**

Introduced by David  
Seconded by Mazzeo

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**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Fair and Open Process Rule, advertisements for proposals were published in the Local Source and were received and reviewed by the Planning Board for the following Professional Service for the year 2023.

#### **PLANNING BOARD ATTORNEY**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** after review of said proposals, the Planning Boards nomination of Louis P. Rago as Planning Board Attorney for the year 2023 at a rate of \$12,000 per annum and an hourly rate of \$145 for litigation, or any other matter directed by the Planning Board, be and the same is hereby confirmed.

Roll Call: Picerno voted yes, David voted yes, Clementi voted yes, Pantina voted yes, Mazzeo voted yes, Calello voted yes, Scuderi voted yes, DeMondo voted yes.

#### **RESOLUTION – VIDEOGRAPHER**

Introduced by David  
Seconded by Clementi

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:** That MARCO ANTONIO STUDIO, 401 Scott Mobus Place, Harrison, NJ 07029, be contracted to videotape and edit Kenilworth Planning Board Meetings for the year 2023 at a rate of \$150 per hour (editing fee of \$55 per meeting/event), not to exceed \$5,000 for the year.

Roll Call: Picerno voted yes, David voted yes, Clementi voted yes, Pantina voted yes, Mazzeo voted yes, Calello voted yes, Scuderi voted yes, DeMondo voted yes.

#### **COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE BOARD**

Mr. David wished everyone a Happy New Year to his colleagues and professionals. He looks forward to a very productive year and he hopes we can get the Master Plan completed this year.

Mr. Picerno wished everyone a happy New Year. He also said we hope to have a productive year, we have our challenges ahead of us. He said we have a new Council Liaison, Mr. Mauro and he thinks it will be a smooth transition. Mr. Picerno said our next meeting is next Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup> and we do not have any applications. We decided at our last meeting in December to extend our Work Session from 6:30 to 6:00PM in order to discuss the Master Plan. Mr. Picerno asked if any members will not be able to any meetings during the year, he will not be able to make the February 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, Mr. David said he will not be at the next January meeting, Mr. Pantina said he will not be in the May 11<sup>th</sup> meeting, Mr. Mazzeo said he will not be at the April 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### **OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC**

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Motion was made by Mr. David, seconded by Mr. Pantina to open the meeting to the public. All in favor.

Toni Giordano, 241 Faitoute Ave. – Toni congratulated everyone. Toni asked if the Planning Board could meet on zoom in order for residents to participate. The members had a lengthy discussion on the pros and cons of Zoom meetings and said they will have to confer with the Planning Board Attorney.

Motion was made by Mr. David, seconded by Mr. Mazzeo to close the meeting to the public. All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. David, seconded by Mr. Clementi. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Kathleen Moschitta  
Recording Secretary