

**Borough of Watchung
Planning Board Meeting
November 20th, 2012**

Minutes

Salute to the Flag

Chairman Speeney called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

The Chair called for a roll call. Present at the call of the roll were:
Speeney (X) Schaefer (X) Haveson (X) Ellis (X) Pennett (X) Boyd (X)
Beck-Clemens (X) Mobus (X) Pote (X) Desnoyers (X) Hartmann(X)

Chairman Speeney indicated there was a quorum to conduct business. The Chair stated that this meeting was being held in compliance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 of the open public meetings law and proper notification of this meeting has been made.

Chairman Speeney asked Board Attorney Frank Linnus to give the board a review of his research on video cameras. Mr. Linnus said that in some towns, there is a general ordinance in place where the police department regulates camera use for 24 hour gas stations or convenience stores. Chairman Speeney suggested that the board make a formal request for the Borough to develop an ordinance requiring surveillance cameras on cell tower sites, convenience stores and gas stations in the Borough. Mr. Hartman said that he did not think there was a consensus among the board to warrant that recommendation. Mrs. Schaefer said that since some members of the board do have concerns about this issue, maybe they can voice them to the laws and ordinance committee of the council to see what their take is on this issue. Mr. Haveson said that maybe when the police department reviews an application, that would be their suggestion to make. After a lengthy discussion, the board decided to let this issue go for now.

Chairman Speeney said that the original purpose was to discuss the December meeting. Chairman Speeney said that the Somerset County access and mobility study has selected Weldon Quarry as one of the 7 pilot sites that they would consider as part of the study. Chairman Speeney

explained Walter Lane from Somerset County contacted him to say that once the draft recommendation was ready, they would be contacting this board to discuss draft concepts for this site using the board's input. Chairman Speeney said that if this draft report was not ready, the December meeting could be cancelled closer to that time. The Chair said that when the County is ready to meet, that the board also invite the principles from Weldon Quarry to that meeting so that they can participate, and also, Bill Butler, attorney for Weldon would be invited to attend. Chairman Speeney said that he would contact the Weldon family to apprise them of this study.

Chairman Speeney adjourned the meeting at 8:40.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Taylor
Planning Board Clerk