

**City of Plainfield
 Planning Board Meeting Minutes
 Thursday, August 2, 2012 at 8:00 p.m.
 Plainfield City Hall Library, 515 Watchung Avenue
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I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Robertson called the meeting to order at 8:08 p.m. at which time he read the following open public meeting statement:

II. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

"The annual schedule of this meeting has been duly noted in The Courier-News and The Star Ledger. In addition, a copy of the notice is posted in the City Clerk's office, the Planning Division office and the City's website in accordance to the regulations of the Open Public Meetings Act, 10:4-6 et seq. This is a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board."

III. ROLL CALL

Name	Jul 5	Jul 19	Aug 2	Aug 16	Sep 6	Sep 20	Oct 4	Oct 18	Nov 1	Nov 15	Dec 6	Term Expires
Ken Robertson, Chairman	P	P	P									4 years (12/31/2012)
Ron Scott Bey, Vice Chairman	-	P	-									4 years (12/31/2012)
Sgt. James Abney	-	P	-									1 year (12/31/2012)
Horace Baldwin	P	P	P									4 years (12/31/2013)
Sidney Jackson	P	P	P									4 years (12/31/2013)
Mayor Sharon Robinson-Briggs Barbara James (Designee)	P	P	P									Term of Mayor 4 years (12/31/2013)
Councilman William Reid	P	8:11 P	P									1 year (12/31/2012)
William Toth	P	P	P									4 years (12/31/2015)
Willie B. Faulks, Jr., Alternate No.1	-	P	P									2 years (12/31/2014)
Sandra Chambers, Alternate No.2	P	E	P									2 years (12/31/2013)
TOTAL ATTENDANCE	7	9	8									

Present (P); No Meeting (--)

IV. OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Name	Affiliation
Michele Donato, Esq.	Planning Board Attorney
Bill Nierstedt	Staff, Planning Director
Rosalind Miller	Board Secretary

V. MINUTES – none

VI. RESOLUTION(S) (Memorialization)s

1) Resolution for Reviewing a Capital Project for 2012 Road Improvement Program – Contract 1. Chairman Robertson asked if there were any questions regarding the resolution. On a motion by Board Member Baldwin and seconded by Board Member Jackson, the board voted for Reviewing a Capital Project for Road Improvements for Contract 1 of the 2012 Road Improvement Program as written. Mayor's Designee James asked if there was a change made in the resolution in regards to the emblem at the intersection of Leland and South Avenues. City Planner Nierstedt read a section in the resolution on page 3 paragraph 7 which reads "A decorative symbol for the intersection of Leland Avenue and South Avenue is to be determined after costs are

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established...."* Board Attorney Donato said that she will make an amendment to add "subjected to the approval of the subcommittee".* After no further comments, Chairman Robertson entertained a motion to make an amendment to the motion on the floor.

- On a motion by Mayor's Designee James and seconded by Board Member Baldwin, the board voted as follows to the amendment be it resolved that the treatment of the intersection of Leland Avenue and South Avenue subjected to the approval of the subcommittee.

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Memorialization
Ken Robertson, Chairman	✓			
Ron Scott Bey, Vice Chairman				
James Abney, Sgt.				
Horace Baldwin	✓			
Gordon Fuller				
Sidney Jackson	✓			
Barbara James, Mayor's Designee				
William Reid, Councilman				
William Toth	✓			
Willie Faulks, Alternate #1				
Sandra Chambers, Alternate #2				

Four Members in favor. None opposed. None abstained.

- 2) Resolution on an Encroachment into the Public Right of Way for the placement of 50 decorative planters by the Crescent Avenue Historic District – Chairman Robertson asked if the board had any questions/comments regarding the resolution. Hearing none, he entertained a motion. On a motion Board Member Toth and seconded by Board Member Baldwin, the board voted as follows to allow for Encroachment into the Public Right of Way for the placement of 50 decorative planters by the Crescent Avenue Historic District as stipulated.

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Memorialization
Ken Robertson, Chairman	✓			
Ron Scott Bey, Vice Chairman				
James Abney, Sgt.				
Horace Baldwin	✓			
Gordon Fuller				
Sidney Jackson	✓			
Barbara James, Mayor's Designee				
William Reid, Councilman				
William Toth	✓			
Willie Faulks, Alternate #1				
Sandra Chambers, Alternate #2				

Four Members in favor. None opposed. None abstained.

VII. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION(S) - none

VIII. OLD BUSINESS - none

IX. NEW BUSINESS – CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) 2013-2018 – Chairman Robertson reported that he has met with the City Administrator and that work is in progress with the administrative group regarding budgeted appropriations.

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1. Division of Fire Jeff Courtney Deputy Chief of operations, Captain Bernard Blake, Lieutenant Sheldon Greene and Jackie Foushee of Remington & Vernick made a presentation on the CIP. Deputy Chief Courtney reported on the existing conditions of Fire Station No.4 located on South Avenue. He said that the building is 125 years old, replacement items needed-engine pumper replacing a 1999 pumper, knox box entry system replacement for accountability and tracking purposes, replace radio communication-no upgrade since 1997 and they are required to comply with FCC regulations and replace generators currently, out of service.

- Ms. Foushee reported that while some roadway improvements are being done it will be advantage to include repairs to all fire station parking lots sidewalks and driveway aprons.
- Chairman Robertson expressed concern about the CIP process in regards to a study is spelled out as a guide to inform of the cost. He made recommendation to send a letter request if 2012 monies are still in the operating budget indicating monies that need to be spent, fire station No.4 renovations is to be removed in place of the fire station construction study totaling the \$75,000.
- Deputy Chief Courtney, Captain Blake and Lieutenant Greene and Ms. Foushee reported that all the fire station restroom facilities are not designated for male/female, other code violations and time to seek grant monies. After hearing no further questions and/or comments, Chairman Robertson opened the meeting to the public. Hearing none, the board thanked them for their presentation.

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. Continued discussion of TODN (Transit Oriented Development-Netherwood)-none
- b. Continued discussion on Roadways-none
- c. Continued discussion on the Zoning Ordinance Update

- Board Member Jackson addressed the proposed zoning ordinance amendments. There was discussion about the definitions and type language appropriate for repair shop, recording studio, sexual oriented businesses, social services, and mixed use structures has been removed, schedule A-towing services, outdoor storage and prohibit chain link fencing and fencing regulations around swimming pools. After hearing no further discussion, the board carried for further discussion to the next meeting for discussion.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

- There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:34 p.m. on a motion by Board Member Toth, seconded by the Mayor's Designee James.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalind Miller
Planning Board Secretary
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Note: Revisions* per planning board members