

**Middlesex Borough Planning Board
1200 Mountain Ave., Middlesex, NJ 08846
Minutes
April 27, 2016**

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Andy Galida called the meeting to order at 7:32p.m.

2 .Open Public Meeting Act Statement

Chairperson Galida read the Open Public Meeting Act statement.

3. Call to Order

Upon voice count the following members were present- Al Lowande, Andy Galida, Jim Green, Robert Schueler, John Sweeney, John Anello, and Paul Woska.

Also in attendance were: Board Attorney, Ms. Kelly Carey.
Board Planner, Mr. Paul Ricci
Board Engineer, Bob Bucco Jr.

5. Minutes

Member Lowande made a motion to approve March 23,2016 meeting minutes, seconded by Member Green. Vote: All in favor. Motion passed.

6.New Business

**P2016-03
Middlesex Board of Education
800 Hazelwood Ave
Block 89 Lot 1**

Courtesy Review

Member Schueler stated that his wife is on the Board of Education.

Ms. Carey gave a brief overview of the role of the Planning Board when it comes to a Courtesy Review for Board of Education and the exceptions from the Zoning Ordinances. The Board would not be voting or passing a Resolution but making suggestions on the garbage enclosure to the Board of Education.

Mr. Richard Angowski stated that he is the Attorney for the Board of Education and introduced Ray Mulvey, Facilities Manager for Middlesex Board of Education.

Mr. Mulvey explained the purpose of the enclosure and originally the garbage bins were located along the back of the school building but there were concerns about the location of the bins because of animals and garbage pick up was not always at the same time.

Mr. Mulvey stated the garbage was moved from behind the building to the new location; with a concrete pad and 9ft stockade fencing (to prevent children from climbing the fence).

Member Lowande questioned why there was no screening of the enclosure.

Mr. Angowski stated that the Board of Education received a notice of violation and stopped work; the Board of Education is willing to consider screenings and putting in Evergreens.

Member Schueler questioned the height of the fence as Zoning Ordinance only allows up to 8ft fences.

The Board was reminded that the Board of Education was not subject to the local ordinance.

Mr. Mulvey explained that the enclosure was designed to keep children out; that there was a double gate, the garbage bins and recycle bins are between 4ft and 4 1/2 ft tall.

Mr. Ricci, Board Planner suggested screening the garbage enclosure with 6ft Evergreens and arborvity.

Mr. Angowski stated that the Board of Education is willing to put in plantings.

Mr. Ricci stated that the Evergreens should be 6ft tall and suggested deer resistant arborvity around three sides.

The Board questioned the location of the gate on the garbage enclosure.

The Board was informed that the gate faces the school.

Chairperson Galida opened the meeting to the public.

Frank Suchak, 911 Dorn Ave stated that garbage was picked up at 6:30am, enclosure gate was never locked and the location was terrible.

Sean Kaplan, 916 Dorn Ave stated that there was liquid from the garbage where children walk through, questioned the pick up time for garbage, would the Board of Education consider moving the dumpster.

Kevin Redzinski, Fairview Ave asked how many times a week garbage and recycling was picked up.

The Board was informed that recycling was every other week and garbage was every other day.

Sean Kaplan, 916 Dorn Ave, suggested that Ray Mulvey contacted the Mayor with the time concerns.

Paul Crutz, 220 Ambrose Ave, questioned if the bins can be wheeled to garbage.

Heidi Baker, Dorn Ave, questioned who is going to maintain the plantings if very dry summer and what would be the level of maturity of plantings.

Mr. Angowski stated that it would be the Board of Education that is responsible to water the trees.

Member Sweeney stated that the enclosure is too high, not screened and in the wrong location.

Member Anello stated that there shouldn't be any residue and were larger containers needed.

Member Anello and Woska stated that the fence enclosure is too high.

Chairperson Galida recommended that Board of Education come to the Planning Board before starting a project next time.

7. Correspondence

A. Flood Hazard Permit -367 Rt 22 East, Greenbrook

No action was required by the Planning Board.

B. Freshwater Wetlands Permit Application

No action was required by the Planning Board.

C. 125 South Ave Email

The Planning Board discussed the email. The applicant will not be able to satisfy the approved site plan. The Planning Board recommended that the applicant come back to the Planning Board with revised plans and will only have to replenish their escrow.

D. Financial Disclosure

The Planning Board was reminded to fill out the Financial Disclosure Forms by the due date of April 30, 2016.

7. Board Member Comments

A. Status Update on Application P2015-09 443 Union Ave

The applicant has submitted revised site plans and will be returning to the Board when scheduled.

B. LED Lighting

The Board discussed the revised draft Ordinance. Ms. Carey will prepare a letter and Ordinance to be sent to the Governing Body for review.

Member Schueler commented on the 412 Drake Ave subdivision and that residents have contacted him regarding sidewalks.

8. Public Comments

Chairperson Galida opened the meeting to the public, there being no public he closed the public portion of the meeting.

Chairperson Galida announced the next meeting will be on May 11, 2016.

There being no further business Member Schueler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:20pm, seconded by Member Green. Vote: All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Secretary

Karen Wick, Board Clerk