TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG

Planning Board Meeting

675 Corliss Ave, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

Minutes for APRIL 28, 2016

Chairman Corcoran called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. Chairman Corcoran led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and read the Open Public Meeting Acts Statement. Those present were: Mayor Stephen Ellis, Councilman Randy Piazza, Chairman T. Kent Corcoran, William Duffy, John Penrose, Keith Zwicker, Bernie Rooney, and Jennifer McBride. Also present were: David Morrisette, William Mandry, Board Attorney, Mr Stanley Schrek, Board Engineer, Charee Carney, Recording Secretary.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Duffy made a motion to approve the minutes of Feb 2016, as presented. Councilman Piazza seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**

The Board decided that the Town Council shall recognize Mr. James Shelly and Chairman Corcoran will write a letter of gratitude for 22 years of service.

Mr. Schrek gave the Board a brief update of the Highlands news. It was decided that the Masterplan will be divvied up but will wait until Wednesday.

Chairman Corcoran suggested special meetings to discuss the Masterplan. Mr. Roonie suggested the board have work session.

Mayor Ellis informed the Board that the state has given us permission to tax the railroads. The board discussed possibilities of the rail trails. Councilman Piazza mentioned how The Shade Tree Commission is adopting a forestry plan. Mayor Ellis suggested we bring the Highlands Committee to Union Square and Mr. Scheck agreed.

Mayor Ellis announced that the City of Easton would like to bring over festivals like the Garlic Fest and would be a wonderful opportunity.

Chairman Corcoran made the motion to adjourn and Mr. Duffy seconded.

There being no further business before the Board this evening; the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charee Carney

Recording Secretary