

**Borough of Watchung  
Planning Board Meeting  
September 16th, 2008  
Minutes**

Chairman Speeney called the meeting to order at 7:34p.m. and stated that notice of this meeting had been posted at Borough Hall, filed with the Borough Clerk and given in the way of notice to the Courier News, Echoes Sentinel, the Reporter and Star Ledger in conformance with the N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.

Present at the call of the roll were:

Speeney [X] Boyd [A] Havas [x] Haveson [X] Addario [X]  
Pennett [X] Schaefer [X] Spratford [X] Ellis [X] Pote [A]

Also present was Board Attorney Frank Linnus. Chairman Speeney indicated that there was a quorum present to conduct business. The Chair asked for a motion to waive the reading of and approve the minutes for the meeting of August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Mr. Haveson, seconded by Mr. Havas, made that motion. Hearing no more discussion, the Chair asked for a voice vote approval. The minutes were approved with Mrs. Pennett and Mayor Ellis abstaining.

Havas read: PB08-R16 Resolution to recommend Capital projects. The Chair recognized the reading of the resolution as a motion to accept and sought a second. The motion was seconded by Mr. Haveson and the Chair called for a roll call vote which was as follows:  
Speeney [yes] Havas [x] Haveson [X] Schaefer [X]

The Chair brought up the subject of combining the Planning Board and the Board of Adjustment. He made a motion for Board Attorney Frank Linnus to do some research on the process involved in combining the boards. Mr. Linnus said it would take approximately 3 to 5 hours. Mrs. Pennett seconded the motion and there was a discussion on the merits of having this research done. The Mayor suggested that before the Planning Board did this research, that maybe they should approach the Mayor and Council in the form of a letter asking what they thought of the idea. The Chair stated that he wanted the research done. The Chair asked for a roll call vote, which was as follows:  
Speeney [yes] Boyd [yes] Havas [yes] Haveson [yes] Addario [yes]

Pennett [yes] Schaefer [yes] Spratford [yes] Ellis [yes] Pote [yes]

The Mayor gave the board an update on COAH.  
Hearing no more discussion, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:36 until the next meeting of October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2006.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Taylor  
Planning Board Clerk

