

**FREEHOLD BOROUGH PLANNING BOARD**  
**MINUTES OF JANUARY 14, 2015**

MONTHLY MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Freehold Borough Planning Board was held on Wednesday, January 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building.

Ms. Sims stated that this meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, by providing a copy of the agenda to the official newspaper and posting same on the official bulletin board of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT	MR. GARRY JACKSON
PRESENT	COUNCILMAN GEORGE SCHNURR
PRESENT	MR. ADAM REICH
PRESENT	MS. DANIELLE SIMS
ABSENT	MS. MARJORIE GOETZ
PRESENT	MR. ROBERT OAKES
PRESENT	MR. WILLIAM BARRICELLI
ABSENT	MR. KEVIN LEWIS
PRESENT	MS. ANNETTE JORDAN
PRESENT	MS. JAMIE BENNETT
PRESENT	MAYOR J. NOLAN HIGGINS

Ms. Sims read Item No. 3 on the Agenda as follows:

Approval of Minutes from meeting of December 10, 2014.

Mr. Reich made a motion to approve the minutes, Ms. Jordan seconded.

Roll Call:

Yes	8	Sims, Reich, Barricelli, Schnurr, Jackson, Jordan, Geotz, Higgins
No	0	
Abstain	0	
Disqualified	1	Bennett
Absent	2	Oakes, Lewis

Ms. Sims read Item No. 4 on the Agenda as follows:

Supplemental Resolution of Memorialization Granting Design  
Waivers for Signs to 31 West Main, LLC.  
Application Number PB-SW-14-007.  
Applicant - 31 West Main LLC.  
Owner - Michael L. Gutman.  
Location - 31 West Main Street, Block 36, Lot 28.01.  
Request- Waiver of Site Plan and Sign Waivers to provided an  
Awning Sign and a Wall Mounted Directory Sign.

Mr. Barricelli made a motion to approve the Supplemental Resolution of Memorialization, Ms. Geotz, seconded.

Roll Call:

Yes	6	Sims, Higgins, Barricelli, Schnurr, Jackson, Geotz
No	0	
Abstain	0	
Disqualified	3	Jordan, Reich Bennett
Absent	2	Oakes, Lewis

Ms. Sims asked for questions or comments from the board.

Mr. Reich stated that everyone received a copy of the review from the HPC meeting of December 22, 2014 in their packet so that he was not going to go through it but he did say that on the first application; Jayesh Patel (Fresh Market), 25 Broad Street, (change of wording on existing signs) was denied due to the applicant had already changed the sign without going to the HPC Committee first. Mr. Reich stated that this is a trend that a few of the HPC members are doing when applicants do the work first and then come before the HPC Committee for approval.

Councilman Schnurr asked if there was a packet explaining the rules for going before the HPC in the construction office.

Mr. Reich replied yes.

Mr. Reich addressed Mayor Higgins and stated he was drafting a letter for the HPC meeting for the committee to review at their next meeting on January 26, 2015 regarding the Bank of America lights. If the letter is approved, then it will be passed on to the governing body.

Ms. Sims read into record the resignation letter from Mr. Accisano.

Mr. Bellina stated there will be three things for the next meeting: Use Variance on 30 Institute Street; Amended site plan for American Granite on Jerseyville Avenue; and there will be a brief demonstration on an initiative that we might want to do for the downtown area.

Mr. Cucchiaro, Esq., stated he had a few recommendations that he gives to all of his boards when they reorganize in January:

- The first has to deal with social media and that most people are now on Facebook and Twitter, he cautioned people on their participation in these forms of social media. The things that you write particularly if they are about an application that we are considering, could result in you having to reclude yourself based on what you write.
- He also recommended that we be cautious in the way that we use email. Some board members use their personal email for purposes of the board and when you use your personal email for official board business, you've opened up your personal email to OPRA requests.
- He is always available if anyone has a question regarding any conflict of interest questions or anything else.

Ms. Sims asked for questions from the public.

There were none.

Ms. Sims made a motion to close the meeting with All in Favor and Mr. Oakes and Mr. Lewis absent.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Antoinette Jones