



**Borough of Stockton  
County of Hunterdon  
Planning Board**



**March 5, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

The Stockton Borough Planning Board was held via Zoom and called to order on March 5, 2024 at 7:00pm by Planning Board Secretary Monica Orlando. Ms. Orlando read the following statement: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by a notice mailed to the Hunterdon County Democrat and The Trenton Times posted on the Borough Website, on the window of Borough Hall, and filed with the Borough Clerk as required by law.

Ms. Orlando read the following: The Board’s General Policy is to end the presentation of testimony on applications and Board discussions by 9:00 PM and to conclude all Board business by 9:30 PM. When necessary, the Chair may permit a reasonable extension of those time limits. This meeting is being held via Zoom, a cloud-based web conferencing program. This meeting is being conducted pursuant to guidance from the Division of Local Government Services (“DLGS”). <https://www.nlgov.gov/connect/news/general/#8>. All members of the public participating in this meeting will be muted during the meeting. Please keep yourself muted until instructed to unmute yourself in order to prevent unnecessary disruptions. If you have a question or comment during the designated public comment period, please click “raise your hand”; at the bottom of your screen. You will need to have the “participants” window visible in order to see the “raise your hand”; button. You will be instructed to unmute yourself and turn on your camera (if able). If you have called into the meeting, please press \*9 to raise your hand. The moderator will call on you and will need to press \*6 to unmute yourself when it is your turn to speak. Please be advised that if you called into the meeting, you will be identified by your telephone number. The moderator will, if needed, acknowledge you by the last 4 digits of your telephone number. Your telephone number will be visible to all participants in the meeting and will be visible to anyone that watches a recording of this meeting. Before you begin your comment, please state your name and address for the record. If you are having technical issues, please use the chat function to alert the moderator. Please do not use the chat function for any other purpose during the meeting. Public comments and questions will not be accepted via the chat function.

Ms. St. Angelo administered Oath of Office to Robert Miller and Kathy Brown.

**Roll Call and Attendance**

<b>MEMBER</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Constance Bassett	X	
Steve Giocondo	X	
Thomas Hunt	X	
Mayor Aaron Lipsen	X	
Joe Martino	X	
Kate Meltzer	X	X
Robert Miller	X	
Robert Wallace	X	
Chair John Bonanni		X
Lisa Hendricks Alt #1	X	
Kathy Brown Alt #2	X	



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PB Attorney Tara St. Angelo	X	
PB Planner Joanna Slagle	X	
PB Secretary Monica Orlando	X	

Flag salute done by all.

**Approval of Bills**

- a) Planning Board Invoices - Planning Board Account  
Gebhardt & Keifer – Inv# 97465 – dated February 15, 2024 - \$289.00

Motion by Mr. Hunt to pay all the bills as written. Second by Ms. Bassett.

Ayes: Constance Bassett, Steve Giocondo, Thomas Hunt, Aaron Lipsen, Joe Martino, Robert Miller, Robert Wallace

Nays: none

Motion carried

**Resolution PB24-05**

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for a Professional Engineer to advise the Stockton Borough Planning Board concerning applications, policy, and engineering issues during the year 2024 and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et. seq) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for Professional Services without competitive bids and the contract itself must be awarded for public inspection; and

**WHEREAS**, the term of this contract for this services is one year from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer, Diane McDaniel, has certified the availability of funds; and

**WHEREAS**, Colliers Engineering has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that the firm has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Stockton with the elected officials in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the firm of Colliers Engineering from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Stockton Borough Planning Board, Hunterdon County, New Jersey that the Board Chairperson and Secretary of the Planning Board are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with Colliers Engineering, Inc. with offices at 53 Frontage Rd, Suite 110, Hampton, NJ for professional engineering services during 2024, including review of applications for subdivisions and site plans, and general advice of the Board.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the contract, resolution, and other pertinent documents shall remain on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a notice of this action shall be printed once in the Borough’s legal newspaper.



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Nays: none

Motion carried

**New Business**

None

**Old Business**

None

**Open to the Public –Agenda Items**

Ms. Orlando opened the meeting for Public Comment.

Seeing no comments, Ms. Orlando closed the public portion.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Mr. Hunt to adjourn. Second by Ms. Bassett. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Monica Orlando  
Planning Board Secretary