

**RIVERDALE PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES
REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 4, 2024**

The Reorganization Meeting of the Riverdale Planning Board is opening on January 4, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. Adequate notice of this meeting was published in the Morris Daily Record and also posted on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall Foyer. No new testimony will be heard after 10:00 p.m. and the meeting will be adjourned by 10:30 p.m. Attorney John Barbarula read the Sunshine Law.

SWEARING IN OF MEMBERS:

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| MAYOR PAUL CARELLI (CLASS 1 MEMBER) | TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2024 |
| VINCENT PELLEGRINI (COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE) | TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2024 |
| SAL POLI (MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL) | TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2024 |
| SCOTT TROUSE (CLASS IV MEMBER) | TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2027 |
| KEVIN BULGER (ALT. NO. 1) | TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2025 |
| STEPHANIE COLELLA (SECRETARY) | TERM EXPIRES 12/31/2024 |

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| ROLL CALL: | Mayor Paul Carelli | Christopher Scilingo |
| | Council Pres. Vincent Pellegrini | Warren Sheps |
| | Sal Poli | Scott Trowse |
| | Bobby Roberts | Kevin Bulger (Alt. No. 1) |
| | Rick Malanga | James Talerico (Alt. No. 2) |
| | Michael Reilly | |

REORGANIZATION:

CHAIR HEARS NOMINATIONS FOR:

1. **CHAIRMAN** Attorney John Barbarula opens the meeting for Nominations for Chairman. Thereupon Warren Sheps set forth the motion seconded by Sal Poli to nominate Scott Trowse for Chairman. Hearing no other nominations, the nominations are closed.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Sheps, Poli, Carelli, Pellegrini, Roberts, Reilly, Scilingo, Bulger, Talerico
Nays: None
(9 Ayes – 0 Nays – Motion Carried)

2. **SECRETARY** Thereupon Chairman Scott Trowse set forth the motion seconded by Mayor Paul Carelli to nominate Stephanie Colella for Secretary and Recording Secretary. Hearing no other nominations, the nominations are closed.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Trowse, Carelli, Pellegrini, Poli, Roberts, Reilly, Scilingo, Sheps, Bulger, Talerico
Nays: None

(10 Ayes – 0 Nays – Motion Carried)

John Barbarula Swore in Stephanie Colella as Secretary and Recording Secretary.

3. VICE-CHAIRMAN Thereupon Council President Vincent Pelligrini set forth the motion seconded by Sal Poli to nominate Warren Sheps for Vice-Chairman. Hearing no other nominations, the nominations are closed.

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Pellegrini, Poli, Carelli, Roberts, Reilly, Scilingo, Trowse, Bulger, Talerico
Nays: None
(9 Ayes – 0 Nays – Motion Carried)**

5. ATTORNEY Thereupon Mayor Paul Carelli set forth the motion seconded by Council President Vincent Pelligrini to nominate Barbarula Law Offices for Attorney. Hearing no other nominations, the nominations are closed.

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carelli, Pellegrini, Poli, Roberts, Reilly, Scilingo, Sheps, Trowse, Bulger, Talerico
Nays: None
(10 Ayes – 0 Nays – Motion Carried)**

6. ENGINEER Thereupon Chris Scilingo set forth the motion seconded by Vice Chairman Warren Sheps to nominate Darmofalski Engineering for Engineer. Hearing no other nominations, the nominations are closed.

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Scilingo, Sheps, Carelli, Pellegrini, Poli, Roberts, Reilly, Trowse, Bulger, Talerico
Nays: None
(10 Ayes – 0 Nays – Motion Carried)**

7. PLANNER One proposal was received from Preferred Planning Group LLC. Warren Sheps questioned the proposal that was received. John Barbarula stated that the Board could reach out to Donna Holmqvist to clarify. Chairman Scott Trowse will call Holmqvist and discuss at the next meeting.

ALL IN FAVOR / MOTION CARRIED

8. LEGAL NEWSPAPER AND ALTERNATIVE NEWSPAPER

It is customary that the Planning Board appoint the legal newspaper and alternative legal newspaper that the Mayor and Council have appointed. Thereupon Chairman Scott Trowse set for the motion seconded by Sal Poil to nominate the Morris Daily Record for legal newspaper and the Suburban Trends as the alternative legal newspaper. Hearing no other nominations, the nomination are closed

ALL IN FAVOR / MOTION CARRIED

9. MEETING NIGHTS AND TIME:

WORKSHOP

02/01/2024

03/07/2024

04/04/2024

05/02/2024

06/06/2024

08/01/2024

09/05/2024

10/03/2024

11/07/2024

12/05/2024

REGULAR

01/25/2024

02/22/2024

03/28/2024

04/25/2024

05/23/2024

06/27/2024

07/25/2024

09/26/2024

10/24/2024

11/14/2024

12/12/2024

Thereupon Sal Poli set forth the motion seconded by Vice-Chairman Warren Sheps to nominate the above dates for the meeting dates. There are no more nominations.

ALL IN FAVOR / MOTION CARRIED

10. MEETINGS TO BEGIN AT 7:30 P.M.

Thereupon Chairman Scott Trowse set forth the motion seconded by Mayor Paul Carelli to set the meeting start time to 7:30PM and end by 10:30PM, last testimony heard by 10:00PM.

ALL IN FAVOR / MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

DECEMBER 14, 2023

Thereupon Chris Scilingo set forth the motion seconded by Michael Reilly to approve the minutes from December 14, 2023.

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Rick Malanga is in attendance at 7:46 PM

ADJOURNMENT:

Thereupon Rick Malanga set forth the motion seconded by Sal Poli to adjourn the meeting.

ALL IN FAVOR / MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at: 7:48 PM

Respectfully submitted by:

Stephanie Colella, Planning Board Secretary