GREEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES Regular Meeting of November 6, 2014

@ 7:09 PM, Board Chairman, Eugene Bambara <u>CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER</u>, then led members in reciting the <u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u> followed immediately by his reading the <u>OPEN</u> PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT.

<u>ROLL CALL</u>: The Chairman directed the **Board Secretary – Desiree L. Dunn** to call the Roll finding **Eugene Bambara**, **Chairman**; **Mathew Fox**; **Michael Muller**, **Michael Roller**, **Carmine Torella**, and **Dennis Walker**, **Alternate #2**, in attendance.

OATHES OF OFFICE FOR NEW / REAPPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS: Alternate #1 - None

MOTION TO EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS: Sharon Mullen, Michael Roller and Louis Tommaso

Fox so moved. Torella seconded. VOICE VOTE: All members present voted "aye" he affirmative. No abstentions. No objections. <u>Motion carried</u>.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES *from October 2, 2014*:

The **Chairman** explained that only the four (4) members who were present at the last meeting could vote on the minutes. Thus, **NO ACTION TAKEN**.

RESOLUTIONS: (provided by Board Attorney)

1. Resolution # BA1407: Michael & Nicole Russo; Block 70, Lot 13 (23 Forest Road). The Chairman explained that only those who had attended and participated in deliberations at the October 2nd meeting could vote on the Resolution. Thus, <u>NO ACTION TAKEN</u>, and the matter carried to the next meeting.

OLD APPLICATIONS:

1. #BA1405: Jayne & Charles Alles; Block 45, Lot 18 (33 Shore Road) – UPDATE provided by the Chairman. Progressing to address most of the outstanding issues and obtained septic approval from the Board of Health yet still must have a Completeness Review.

NEW APPLICATIONS: None

PROFESSIONAL CONTRACTS: The Chairman provided background and history regarding the Town Committee's suggestion that they solicit Requests for Proposal (RFP) for the Board Attorney's position as per the memo provided. He detailed the previous search for the Board Planner and last year's RFP's for the Board Engineer position and described the benefits of the process. He recommends that the Board approve the practice. He asked for 2 volunteers to join the subcommittee which would consist of 2 from the zoning board, 2 from the planning board

and 2 from the Town Committee. Discussion ensued. Board members concurred that it is a good management practice. Reiterated that the Board is semi-autonomous and can stay with the current professional, seek new applicants, request information, etc, and is under no obligation. Further discussion ensued. **Chairman** expects the meetings to be on Mondays before the Town Committee meetings. The **Chairman** polled the Board for those in favor of engaging in the RFP process. The Board unanimously concurred. **Torella** offered to serve with the **Chairman** on the interview subcommittee.

OTHER BOARD BUSINESS:

Chairman – Inquired if we had obtained an update from Doggone Farm. She responded in the negative.

Secretary – Reminded Board members that they had to sign the Employee Handbook forms. Discussion ensued. The Secretary noted that one Board member's packet stipulated that the form had been changed and she asked if it was to his liking. He responded in the negative. The Chairman inquired if the Town Attorney had made a determination regarding Board members' volunteer status. A Board member who serves on a County Board offered some insight into the rationale that the volunteers are asked periodically to vote on budgets and finances, thus acting on behalf of the municipality and it's not isolated to Green Township. A Board member offered to sign the form upon marking it up because he's not an at-will employee. Discussion ensued. Requested that the Board Secretary witness the form. She complied.

ADJOURNMENT:

> @ 7:37 PM, Muller so moved. Walker seconded. All members present voted "aye" in the affirmative. No abstentions. No objections. Motion carried.

	Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:
-	Desiree L. Dunn, Secretary Planning Board & Board of Adjustment
	Planning Board & Board of Adjustment

APPROVED