

TOWN OF WASHINGTON
January 16, 2020
TOWN BOARD SPECIAL MEETING
Minutes

The Town Board of the Town of Washington held its regular meeting on Wednesday, January 15, 2020, at the Town of Washington Town Hall, Millbrook, NY. Supervisor Gary Ciferri opened the meeting at 6:30 PM with the following present: Councilmen Stephen Turletes, Robert Audia, Al De Bonis and Michael Murphy and Town Clerk Mary Alex.

At 6:33 PM, on a motion made by Councilman Turletes and seconded by Councilman Murphy, the Board moved into Executive Session for the purpose of interviewing candidates for an open Planning Board position. The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri:	AYE
Councilman Turletes:	AYE
Councilman Audia:	AYE
Councilman De Bonis:	AYE
Councilman Murphy:	AYE

At 8:15 PM, on a motion made by Councilman Murphy and seconded by Councilman Audia, the regular meeting resumed. The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri:	AYE
Councilman Turletes:	AYE
Councilman Audia:	AYE
Councilman De Bonis:	AYE
Councilman Murphy:	AYE

The Board asked Town Clerk Alex to research the ability for the Town to pass legislation allowing for alternative Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals members. Both candidates were very impressive and capable. Town Clerk advised the Board that the Town may introduce legislation.

On a motion made by Councilman De Bonis and seconded by Councilman Murphy the Board moved to appoint Andrew Spence to the Planning Board to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2023.

On a motion made by Councilman Turletes and seconded by Supervisor Ciferri the Board moved to appoint Nicole Drury to the Planning Board to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2023.

On a motion made by Councilman De Bonis and seconded by Councilman Murphy,

WHEREAS, there are times when Planning Board or Zoning Board of Appeals members are unavailable to attend a regularly scheduled meeting due to other obligations; and

WHEREAS, the absence of several members may cause an application to be delayed due to a lack of a quorum; and

WHEREAS, New York State law allows for alternate members to the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Washington Town Board has authorized Attorney Battistoni to prepare introductory legislation providing for up to two (2) alternate Planning Board members for a term of four years; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislation provides for up to two (2) alternate Zoning Board of Appeals members for a term of three years.

The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri:	AYE
Councilman Turletes:	AYE
Councilman Audia:	AYE
Councilman De Bonis:	AYE
Councilman Murphy:	AYE

On a motion made by Councilman De Bonis and seconded by Councilman Murphy the Board moved to appoint Andrew Spence to the Planning Board to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2023. The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri:	NAY
Councilman Turletes:	NAY
Councilman Audia:	AYE
Councilman De Bonis:	AYE
Councilman Murphy:	AYE

On a motion made by Councilman De Bonis and seconded by Councilman Murphy, the Board moved to advise Mrs. Drury that the Board will introduce legislation for an alternate Planning Board member to which she will be appointed and be further advised that when there is a vacancy is open on the Planning Board, Mrs. Drury will be appointed to the position. The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri: AYE
Councilman Turletes: AYE
Councilman Audia: AYE
Councilman De Bonis: AYE
Councilman Murphy: AYE

There being no other business, on a motion made at 8:40 PM by Councilman Murphy and seconded by Councilman Audia the meeting was closed. The vote was as follows:

Supervisor Ciferri: AYE
Councilman Turletes: AYE
Councilman Audia: AYE
Councilman De Bonis: AYE
Councilman Murphy: AYE

Mary Alex, Town Clerk