

**MERCER COUNTY PLANNING BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 13, 2016**

**PRESENT:** William S. Agress, Vice-Chair  
Anthony P. Carabelli, Freeholder  
Samuel M. Rubino  
Michael E. Shine  
Gregory Sandusky, County Engineer

**ALSO PRESENT:** Robert Ridolfi, Board Counsel  
Leslie R. Floyd, Planning Director  
Richard Smith, Planning Board Secretary  
Lisa Fritzingler, Staff  
Kevin Kraft, Staff  
Matthew Lawson, Staff  
Marisa Mule' Van Horn, Staff  
Dan Pace, Staff  
Jill Benner, Staff

Mr. Agress called the meeting of the Mercer County Planning Board to order at 9:04 a.m.

**I. STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE**

Pursuant to the Sunshine Law, notice of this meeting was sent to the Trenton Times, the Trentonian, and was posted in the County Clerk's office and the County Administration Building on December 31, 2015.

**II. REORGANIZATION**

Due to the recent resignation of the Board Chairman, Mr. Ryan, the reorganization of the Board was postponed and Mr. Agress conducted the meeting as Vice-Chairman.

It was agreed that all existing Planning Board staff and Planning Board representatives to existing committees would temporally remain the same.

Committee representatives are the following:

**Open Space and Preservation Board**

Michael E. Shine

**Agricultural Development Board**

William S. Agress, Vice Chairman

## Land Development Committee

William S. Agress, Vice Chairman  
Planning Director  
County Engineer

All other Board members were designated as alternates to the committee.

Mr. Agress made a motion to approve the 2016 and January 2017 Planning Board Meeting Schedule and Mr. Shine seconded the motion.

Wednesday, February 10, 2016

Wednesday, March 9, 2016

Wednesday, April 13, 2016

Wednesday, May 11, 2016

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Wednesday, July 13, 2016

Wednesday, August 10, 2016

Wednesday, September 14, 2016

Wednesday, October 19, 2016

Wednesday, November 9, 2016

Wednesday, December 14, 2016

**Wednesday, January 11, 2017**

The motion was approved with the following vote:

Y William S. Agress

Y Anthony P. Carabelli

Y Samuel M. Rubino

Y Michael E. Shine

Y Gregory Sandusky

### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Shine made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2015 Planning Board meeting and Mr. Rubino seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with the following vote:

Y William S. Agress

Y Anthony P. Carabelli

Y Samuel M. Rubino

Y Michael E. Shine

Y Gregory Sandusky

### IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

### V. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business

### VI. NEW BUSINESS

#### a. Presentation by DVRPC on the US 1 Regional Growth Strategy.

Mr. Bill Neary a representative from the Central Jersey Transportation Forum spoke to the Board concerning the function of the Transportation Forum and to introduce a study that was prepared by NJDOT as a result of the Forum's ongoing discussions. The study is known as

the Route 1 Regional Growth Strategy Report.

The Central Jersey Transportation Forum has been meeting since 1999 to address the concerns of municipalities in Mercer, Middlesex & Somerset Counties focused specifically on Route 1 corridor and access to the corridor in an east-west direction.

Representatives from the three counties, 25 municipalities, state agencies and other interested stakeholders have been meeting approximately three times each year to disseminate and discuss information related to land use and transportation issues. When appropriate, the Forum has advocated for solutions or specific programs.

This partnership is supported by the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission, the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority and the municipalities in the corridor.

In 2004, NJDOT initiated the Route 1 Regional Growth Strategy (RT1RGS) project to address mobility needs in the corridor. 15 affected municipalities, three counties, private sector stakeholders and state agencies worked for six years to come up with a more sustainable economic and transportation strategy and vision for the region. The Route 1 study wrapped up in 2010, recommending a strategy to integrate land use and transportation decisions in a way that improves the future livability of our area.

Mr. Neary noted that the Forum has recently formulated an "Action Team" to take up the task of trying to move these findings from the planning phase to the implementation phase, this is why he attended our meeting. The first task of Action Team was to prepare a brief "roadshow" to highlight some of the key findings of the Route 1 Regional Growth Study and hopefully gather support for Smart Growth initiatives in the corridor.

The Board thanked Mr. Neary for his time and presentation.

b. Mercer County Planning Board Resolution No. 2016-01.

"Proposed Amendment to the Mercer County Water Quality Management Plan and Mercer County Wastewater Management Plan and expansion of the Stony Brook Regional Sewerage Authority River Road Sewage Treatment Plant sewer service area."

Mr. Rubino made the motion to adopt Resolution No. 2016-01 and Mr. Shine seconded the motion. The resolution was approved with the following vote:

Y	William S. Agress	Y	Samuel M. Rubino
Y	Anthony P. Carabelli	Y	Michael E. Shine
		Y	Gregory Sandusky

**VII. CORRESPONDENCE**

a. Letter from Leslie R. Floyd to Gary J. Brower, Esq. (NJDEP) dated December 22, 2015 concerning "Water Quality Management Planning (WQMP) Rule Proposal."

## VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Shine made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Rubino seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 a.m. with the following vote:

Y	William S. Agress	Y	Samuel M. Rubino
Y	Anthony P. Carabelli	Y	Michael E. Shine
		Y	Gregory Sandusky

Respectfully Submitted,



Richard J. Smith, Planning Board Secretary

Attachments, if any, which are listed in the minutes, are made part of the permanent record in the Minute Book and are available upon request.