

**Elk Township Planning and Zoning Board
Special Meeting
April 5, 2018**

Minutes

- **Call to Order:** The Board Chairman called the special meeting to order at 6:45 pm.
 - **Open Public Meeting Act:** read by the Board Secretary
 - **Roll Call:**
Present: Jay Hughes, Richard Schmidt, Eugene Shoultz, Jeanne White, Frank Goss(alt 1), Wayne Swanson(alt 2)
Absent: Ed Poisker, Donna Nicholson, Matt Afflerbach, Bob Clark, Ed McKeever
- Also present were Board Solicitor, Dale Taylor, Esquire and Board Planner, Candace Kanaplue, Bach Associates.
- **Flag Salute**
 - **Old Business: None**
 - **New Business:**
 - **Public Hearing:** Amendment to the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan to the Township's Master Plan
 - a. Adopt & Memorialize Resolution 2018-10

Board Planner explained this meeting is to adopt an Amended Housing Element and Fair Share Plan of the town's Master Plan. The current plan is dated April 13, 2016 and amended February 21, 2018 per a settlement agreement with the Fair Share Housing Center to settle litigation regarding Elk's compliance with the Mount Laurel doctrine and New Jersey's Fair Share Housing Act of 1985. The purpose of the amendment is to reflect a settlement agreement regarding affordable housing issues that both the Township and the Fair Share Housing Center have agreed upon. Most of the specifics and required affordable units have not changed much from the existing plan. One of the changes provides that qualified community homes will count toward our affordable unit number. There is a 282 unit obligation for Round III. Ms. Kanaplue referred to page 26 of the plan.

The Board's next step is to adopt the plan as amended (indicating the plan matches the settlement agreement) and the plan will then need to be endorsed by Township Committee. The Fairness Compliance Hearing, before Superior Court of NJ, is scheduled for Tuesday, April 17th.

Mr. Swanson moved to open to the public, seconded by Mr. Shoultz. With all members in favor, the motion was carried. With no comment from the public, Mr. Shoultz moved to close to the public, seconded by Mr. Hughes. With all members in favor, the motion was carried.

Board member White moved to adopt the Amendment to the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan dated February 21, 2018 and to adopt and memorialize resolution 2018-10 of the same. Seconded by Mr. Hughes.

Roll Call:

In favor: Jay Hughes, Richard Schmidt, Eugene Shoultz, Jeanne White, Frank Goss (alt. 1), Wayne Swanson (alt. 2)

Against: 0 **Abstain** 0 **6 yes**

➤ **General Public Portion:**

Mr. Goss moved to open to the general public portion, seconded by Mr. Shoultz. With all members in favor, *the motion was carried.* With no comment from the public, *Mr. Shoultz moved to close the general public portion, seconded by Mr. Schmidt.* With all members in favor, *the motion was carried.*

➤ **Correspondence: None**

➤ **Adjournment:**

Mr. Swanson moved to adjourn the Special Meeting, seconded by Mr. Shoultz. With all members in favor, *the motion was carried.*

Adjournment time 7:09 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Anna Foley, Board Secretary