

A meeting of the Township of Hamilton Industrial Commission was held on the above date with Chairman Robert RaVell presiding. Members present were Gordon Craig, Carmen Fichetola, Robin Kealey, Ariane Newman and Rocco Policarpo. Also present was Randolph Lafferty, Solicitor.

Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law was acknowledged.

Approval of Minutes – Mr. Kealey moved, seconded by Mr. Craig, to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 7, 2009, as published. SAID MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING “AYE”, NO “NAY”, NO “ABSTAIN”.

Magic Sports and Health Complex, LLC – Mr. Lafferty reported that Steve Nehmad no longer represents Magic Sports and Health Complex, LLC, and that Christopher Baylinson has replaced him. He stated that Mr. Baylinson had requested that the Planning Board hearing be rescheduled for March 5 to provide time for him to review the file.

Mr. Lafferty advised that he had updated Mr. Baylinson with regard to Magic Sport’s involvement with the Commission. He informed the Commission that it would be considering another extension request at its March 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, as the current extension expires on March 18. Mr. Lafferty stated that, prior to the meeting, he would provide a letter outlining the issues as he sees them, and he recommended that the Commission discuss the matter in executive session after Mr. Baylinson’s presentation.

Mr. Craig suggested that the Commission schedule its March meeting for a date after Magic Sports’ hearing commences before the Planning Board, but before the extension expires, and it was agreed that the suggestion was a good one. A tentative date of Wednesday, March 11, 2009, was selected. The Secretary was directed to check the availability of the Public Meeting Room and to notify all parties.

Mr. Craig moved, seconded by Mr. Policarpo, to reschedule the Industrial Commission’s March meeting to take place on Wednesday, March 11, 2009, and not March 4, 2009, if there is a meeting room available to conduct the meeting on that date. SAID MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING “AYE”, NO “NAY”, NO “ABSTAIN”.

Mr. Craig disclosed that Mr. Baylinson had been his legal representative in the past in some matters, but nothing at the present time. He questioned whether there would be a conflict of interest, and Mr. Lafferty stated he would look into it and provide an opinion.

Accusations – Mr. RaVell reported with regard to comments he had made at a recent Township Committee meeting in an effort to refute comments and accusations made by Bruce Strigh during a previous Township Committee meeting that gave the impression there was some wrongdoing with regard to an Industrial Commission member’s meeting with Magic Sports

representative and how Magic Sports' extension request was added as a late item to a particular meeting agenda. Mr. RaVell noted that Mr. Policarpo accompanied him to the Township Committee meeting.

Mr. RaVell stated that he felt compelled to address the issues and explain what had actually occurred, as the alleged improprieties involve serious consequences if they are proven to be true.

Mr. RaVell stated that Mr. Strigh had, also, expressed the opinion that the Commission's agenda was in violation of the law because it's always the same.

Mr. RaVell stated he was very upset by Mr. Strigh's statements, and he expressed the desire for a full investigation into the matter as to whether the Commission acted properly.

Summit Associates – Mr. RaVell informed the Commission that John Visceglia of Summit Associates has expressed a desire to reconfigure the street layout in a certain area of the Business Park, as the present configuration may not fit into his plan, and the Township Administrator would be arranging a meeting to discuss the issue. Mr. RaVell advised that he had conveyed to Mr. Visceglia that the Commission would be willing to discuss the matter, but the ultimate configuration would have to benefit the Business Park.

Mr. RaVell noted that developers are responsible for constructing the roadways and all associated drainage structures.

Vouchers – Mr. Fichetola expressed concern with regard to a charge on the Solicitor's bill that involved time talking with resident Bruce Strigh. Mr. Lafferty stated he has asked Mr. Strigh not to call him or email him any more.

Mr. Policarpo moved, seconded by Mr. Craig, to approve the voucher submitted by the Solicitor in the amount of \$575.55.

ROLL CALL VOTE ON THE ABOVE MOTION:

Mr. Craig – Aye  
Mr. Fichetola – Aye  
Mr. Kealey – Aye

Ms. Newman - Aye  
Mr. Policarpo - Aye  
Mr. RaVell – Aye

SAID MOTION CARRIED.

Adjournment – Mr. Fichetola moved, seconded by Mr. Policarpo, to adjourn the meeting. SAID MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING “AYE”, NO “NAY”, NO “ABSTAIN”.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Rainbow, Secretary

