OCEANPORT PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES
JANUARY 11, 2012

Councilman Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and announced that the meeting had been advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Councilman Johnson led the flag salute.

OATHES OF OFFICE:
The following individuals were sworn in:

John Kahle	Class I (Mayor's Designee)
William Johnson	Class III (Council Liaison)
Christopher Widdis	Class IV (Regular Member)
Jason Fichter	Class IV (Regular Member) – unexpired term
Cynthia DeSousa	Alternate I – unexpired term

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Kahle, Mr. McCarthy, Councilman Johnson, Mr. Kleiberg, Mr. Savarese, Mr. Fichter, Ms. DeSousa, Mr. Whitson, Mr. Widdis

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Sullivan

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Jeanne Smith, Board Secretary, Rick DeNoia, Board Attorney and William White, Board Engineer

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN: Mr. Whitson moved to appoint Christopher Widdis Chairman for 2012. Mr. McCarthy seconded the motion which was approved by the Board with Mr. Widdis abstaining.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN: Mr. McCarthy moved to appoint James Whitson Vice Chairman for 2012. Mr. Klahle seconded the motion which was approved by the Board with Mr. Whitson abstaining.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD ATTORNEY: Chairman Widdis asked for a motion to appoint Rick DeNoia Board Attorney for 2012 which was moved by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Mr. Whitson and unanimously approved by the Board.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD SECRETARY: Chairman Widdis asked for a motion to appoint Jeanne Smith as Board Secretary for 2012 which was moved by Mr. Kleiberg and seconded by Councilman Johnson and unanimously approved by the Board.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD ENGINEER/PLANNER: Chairman Widdis asked for a motion to appoint William White, Maser Consulting as Board Engineer/Planner for 2012 which was moved by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Mr.Kleiberg and unanimously approved by the Board.

BOARD BUSINESS:

1. A Resolution Approving the 2012 Meeting Schedule was approved on a motion from Mr. McCarthy and a second from Councilman Johnson and approved by the Board. **PR-12-01**

2. Minutes of the meeting of December 14, 2011 were approved as presented on a motion from Mr. Whitson and a second from Mr. Kleiberg and approved by the eligible Board members.

3. Correspondence: Ms. Smith reminded the Board that the Monmouth County Planning Board had presented there publication *Monmouth County 2011 Profile* which was available in the Clerk's office.

4. The resignations of Board Members Jaclyn Flor and James Gervolino were accepted on a motion by Mr. McCarthy and Councilman Johnson and approved by the Board.

5. Chairman Widdis discussed and summarized a **RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT PLANNING BOARD TO PROCEED WITH REDEVELOPMENT STUDY FOR PARCELS KNOWN AS "MONMOUTH PARK RACETRACK"** after which there was Board discussion followed by a motion to approve by Mr. McCarthy which was seconded by Mr. Whitson and received the following roll call:

AYES:	Mr. Whitson, Mr. McCarthy, Mr. Kleiberg, Mr. Fichter
NAYES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Mr. Savarese
INELIGIBLE:	Mr. Kahle, Councilman Johnson, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Gervolino, Ms. Flor, Mr. Widdis

Councilman Johnson requested that the record reflect that he was in agreement of the resolution but that he had reservations regarding the next step of the process to create a local redevelopment authority.

6. Chairman Widdis discussed the necessity for 2 subcommittees - the **Monmouth Park Planning Subcommittee** which would be performing the groundwork concerning the redevelopment study and a **Zoning Ordinance Review Committee** to address a number of items to be addressed or updated in the zoning ordinance. Chairman Widdis asked Ms. Smith to read the list and then invited input from the complete Board. Chairman Widdis made the following appointments to both committees: Chairman Widdis, Mr. Whitson, Mr. Kleiberg and Mr. Kahle.

PETITIONS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

ADJOURNMENT: As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Johnson which was seconded by Mr. McCarthy and approved by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

JEANNE SMITH
Secretary