

**Bay Head Planning Board**  
**May 11, 2017**

The special meeting of the Bay Head Planning Board was held on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 6:30 PM.

Mr. Furze read the following statement: "Pursuant to the applicable portions of the NJ Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was mailed to the Asbury Park Press, and posted in the corridor of the Borough of Bay Head, and filed with the Bay Head Borough Clerk."

Roll Call: William Furze, John Henry Morris, William Curtis, Thomas Charlton, Neil Devesty and Frederick Applegate

Absent: Kathleen Tell, Patricia Wojcik, Mark Durham, and Robert Hein

Mr. Furze stated tonight's meeting is regarding the re-examination of our Master Plan, and we have our consultants here who will present what has been on-going for the past several months.

**Gerald DeFelicis, Jr.** from Maser Consulting, Red Bank, NJ, licensed Planner in the State of NJ, stated there are three parts to tonight's presentation. They are the two neighborhood plans for the Twilight Lake neighborhood and the bay front neighborhood, and a review of the hazard mitigation plan which will be addressed first.

**Pam Hilla** of Remington, Vernick & Vena engineers, Toms River, NJ, stated she is here to talk about the plans she is working on with the Borough for hazard mitigation. Ms. Hilla further stated that over the past 6 to 9 months, they have met several times with the Public Works Committee and with other municipal employees to try to identify the most critical areas of concern in the Borough. She stated they were looking at some low-lying areas, areas that frequently flood, they are looking at flood and wind hazards, and some other issues within the Borough. Ms. Hilla further stated that with the grant, they have identified a significant amount of areas of concern, and a lot of what they are proposing is to help improve planning for the future, to help protect infrastructure against flooding. Ms. Hilla stated a lot of their recommendations have to do with raising of infrastructure, doing flood-proofing measures and elevating roadways. She further stated they are really trying to focus on things which affect homeowners with regards to tidal flooding, as well as storm surge and hurricane flooding.

Ms. Hilla indicated that tonight what they are looking to do is to get public comments and feedback if there are specific areas of concern, and she would like to take down audience members' information and hear any comments to make sure they are adequately presented in their plan, on top of what was provided to them from Public Works.

Ms. Hilla suggested there should be two additional public meetings before the plan could be adopted.

The meeting was opened to the public, and the following people spoke:

**Don Frederickson**, 856 Clayton Avenue

**Neil Marcous**, 62 Egbert Street

**Maryann Marcous**, 62 Egbert Street

**Robin Naylor**, 417 Lake Avenue

**Barry Pearce**, 94 Bridge Avenue

**Betsy Nelson**, a Planning Board member from Mantoloking

**Sam Wilson**, 838 Main Avenue

**Gail Zimmerman**, 50 Mount Street

**Ray Iwanesky**, 50 Mount Street

Topics touched upon were the possibility of raising the roadways at certain low-lying areas which would partly depend on existing sidewalks and driveways; concerns about parking on Lake Avenue; shade trees and the environment; the proposed sidewalk on the west side of Clayton Avenue; improvements to both sides of Clayton Avenue in an effort to try to improve the safety situation for both walking and biking, as opposed to making it worse; and concerns about traffic, traffic patterns, crossings, bicycles and children, among other matters.

Mr. DeFelicis stated that pretty much covered the two neighborhood plans, the Master Plan re-examination is pretty much complete, and they are going to start working on the ordinances which will be out at some point. Mr. DeFelicis thanked everyone in the audience for their attendance and their comments.

Mr. Furze thanked everyone for coming, and mentioned the Board is going to be taking a look at the bulk requirements of the town's zoning regulations. Mr. Furze further stated that approximately twelve years ago, the Board was attempting to change the Land Use regulations. He requested all those in attendance to return to their families and neighbors, and due to the fact the community has changed drastically because of the new flood regulations due to the storm, and you can now build a home which is 32.5 feet above base flood elevation which could potentially be 17 feet above grade, he asked if they would want a house which is 6 feet away from their property to be that tall. He further stated we are looking at all of these things collectively and he would like the town members' support if possible. Mr. Furze further requested if there was anyone who spoke this evening, to be so kind as to supply the Board Clerk with their name and contact information.

The meeting **adjourned** on a motion by Mayor Curtis and seconded by John Henry Morris. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Claire S. Hense