

RENT STABILIZATION BOARD MINUTES
January 19, 2011

The following are the minutes of the Rent Stabilization Board Meeting, which was held on Wednesday, January 19, 2011, at 7:30 p.m., in the Lawrence Township Municipal Building, Lower Level Conference Room.

Statement of Proper Notice

Adequate notice of this meeting of the Lawrence Township Rent Stabilization Board on January 19, 2011 has been provided in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act., N.J.S.A. 10:4-10, specifying the date, time and place of the meeting.

The roll was called as follows at 7:35 p.m.:

Present: Durwood Hankinson, James T. Lalli, Ian A. Kops and William Zimmer

Excused Absence: Marissa Nami and Kim Y. Taylor

Absent: None

Also Present: Kevin Nerwinski, Attorney to the Board and Susan Snook, Secretary

Opening of Meeting/Roll Call:

Kevin Nerwinski made the following declaration:

My name is Kevin Nerwinski, Municipal Attorney for the Township of Lawrence. I have been designated as the Board's attorney for the Lawrence Township Rent Stabilization Board. It is January 19th, 7:30 p.m., we are at a meeting in the Lower Level Conference room. It is the organizational meeting.

Election of Officers:

Nominations were opened to the floor for Chairperson. Ian Kops nominated Durwood Hankinson and Mr. Hankinson accepted and there were no objections.

Nominations were opened to the floor for Vice Chairperson. Durwood Hankinson nominated Ian Kops and Mr. Kops accepted and there were no objections.

Minutes for Approval:

None

Approval of Meeting Schedule:

Mr. Kops stated that April 20th is no good for him since he will be away. Kevin Nerwinski made the statement - this is a meeting schedule that is truly tentative in nature and gives an idea to the Township and the citizens what we are projecting. Since we are a small Board and we will have to figure out this schedule as we go along. All we have to do as the Township board is to comply with the Open Public Meeting Act and certain number of days notice, so these are really far out and Mr. Nerwinski recommended approving the schedule.

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Applications:

The Board acknowledged the applications that have been received from King George Arms and Lawrenceville Garden Apartments. Copies were provided to the members. Mr. Nerwinski will contact each applicant and will try to get a meeting date in late February to allow the applicant time to provide notice pursuant to what is required of them by Township Ordinance.

It has been 10 years since this Board had a meeting and three years to get a Board together, so the Board will have to try hard to make sure it happens.

Public Participation/Comment:

None

Other Business:


There was a brief discussion about the application of King George Arms having no address. Mr. Nerwinski stated that we will be discussing the application process and will have the applicants come before the Board; provide all supporting documentation and present their argument in support of the request to increase rent.

Mr. Nerwinski stated that we need a Tenant alternate just in case there is a conflict with another member; so if anyone knows of someone who might be interested to serve on the Board to let him know.

Adjournment:

William Zimmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be held sometime late in February.



Susan Snook, Secretary
Rent Stabilization Board