

Mayor Sebastian J. Garafalo, Ex-Officio attended until 8:05 P.M., Chm
Stephen T. Gionfriddo, Sec'y Carta, Comm. Steven J. Leinwand, Comm.
William A. Pillarella, Comm. Sebastian J. Passanesi, Comm. Rose Sbalcio,
Alternates: Stephen Gadowski, Thomas E. Hutton, Jr., Richard Thompson
Vice-Chm Cos Giuffrida, Alternate Paul P. Parisi, Dir. P.W. Salvatore
Fazzino, Ex-Officio

MEMBERS
PRESENT

Comm. Hutton Acted for absent Comm. Giuffrida

MEMBERS
ABSENT
STAFF

Dir. George A. Reif, Nino Martucci, Planner, Hope Kasper, Secretary,
Pan Jones, Assistant Secretary

Phil Bauer, Engineer, Public Works Dept., Lucas Held, Reporter, Middletown
Press and approximately 100 members of the public

OTHERS

Chm. Gionfriddo

First, I want to apologize if anybody from the public is here tonight for the three items that were originally scheduled for the Public Hearing, those being the placing of radio transmission facilities back into the Code and certain zones, the dry cleaning establishment in the I-2 zone and the Home Occupation on Stowe Avenue for Taxidermist, the Legal Notice that went into the Middletown Press was not placed sufficiently in the paper, it got cut in half on one particular evening and the City Attorney gave us an opinion that if the ad was not complete that the Legal Notice was not sufficient and therefore the Public Hearing would not be valid. What we are going to do is readvertise those three issues and have the Public Hearing on the meeting of February 27th, okay? So, anybody that came on those three issues, I apologize to you for the confusion. I am also going to partly apologize, partly chastise the Middletown Press for the way they wrote tonight's article in the sense that I was told outside there are a number of people from the East Ridge Road area were confused by the way that the Press put tonight's article in the paper and I guess in the headline it kind of appears that the entire meeting is canceled this evening, rather than a Public Hearing on three issues and I guess I would apologize to anyone from the public who was misled by that and is not able to be here this evening and I would just ask that in the future, when such articles are written that they are a little clearer so that somehow there won't be any confusion in the public as to what we are doing here. Okay, we are coming to...There is no Public Hearing tonight. The actual Public Hearing on the subdivision on East Ridge Road I know concerns a number of you was held at the last meeting and was closed at the last meeting. We will be dealing with the East Ridge Road issue so you are welcome to stay, we will be handling it but there will be no Public Hearing on that issue, it was already held and closed. For the record, I did get all of your letters. Unfortunately, again, I will state that I did read them but by law, once a Public Hearing is closed, the members of the Commission are not supposed to consider additional information that comes forward. So, I cannot make these letters part of the record but I will acknowledge that there is approximately 25 letters, plus a petition signed by approximately 150 people expressing opposition to the subdivision but because of the fact that the hearing was closed we cannot make them part of the record. Okay? I just want to set that straight also.