

Minutes of the Borough of Bogota Planning & Zoning Board Meeting

January 13, 2026 – Reorganization Meeting

The Borough of Bogota Planning and Zoning Board held its meeting on Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 7:32 p.m. Those in attendance were Mayor Daniele Fede, Corrado Mancini, Rebecca Foster, Art Sopelsa, Tony Teresi, Samuel Harris, Jessie Frias, and Daniel Schnipp. Absent members were Councilman John Mitchell and Robert Robbins. Also in attendance were Board attorney Jason Shafron and Board secretary Patricia Morrone.

Mayor Daniele Fede swore in Art Sopelsa to another term on the Planning/Zoning Board.

The next matter of business was the election of officers. Mayor Fede nominated Corrado Mancini as Chairman, a second was made by Rebecca Foster. Motion passed. Rebecca Foster nominated Jessie Frias as vice chair, a second made by Mayor Fede. Motion passed.

Chairman Mancini announced to the Board that Mrs. Morrone has resigned as secretary to the Board. He did advise she has volunteered to stay on until the end February. The search for a new candidate will begin.

Upon motion made by Robert Foster with a second by Tony Teresi, Jason Shafron was re-appointed as Board attorney. Robert Costa was re-appointed as Board engineer and Paul Grygiel as Board Planner. Motion passed.

Dan Schipp, Jessie Frias and Samuel Harris were nominated by Robert Foster with a second by Rebecca Foster to continue as the Board's Completeness Committee. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Robert Foster with a second by Rebecca Foster to open to public comments. There being no public comments a motion was made by the Fosters to close. Both motions passed.

The application for 77 River Road (driveway) has stalled. No further communication from the applicant has been received by the Board secretary.

We have received a new application from the Delta Gas Station at 151 W. Fort Lee Road. Mrs. Morrone advises she has requested a completed W9 and \$3500 escrow check from the applicant's attorney. She also requested digital copies of all plans to be posted on the Borough website and for distribution to the Board. Hard copies of said plans were given to the Completeness Committee for review.

A motion to adopt the minutes of the December meeting was made by Mayor Fede with a second by Tony Teresi. Dan Schnipp and Jessie Frias abstained. Motion passed. A motion to renew our membership in the NJPO and pay the invoice was made by Rebecca Foster with a second by Jessie Frias. Motion carried.

Mayor Fede advised the courts settled on our Affordable Housing changes. We have a March deadline to change overlay zones.

On motion made by Dan Schipp with a second by Rebecca Foster, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Morrone