

**Borough of Ho-Ho-Kus  
Bergen County, New Jersey  
Planning Board Minutes  
February 15, 2024  
Public Session**

**Meeting Called to Order at 7:00PM by Chairman Hanlon**

**Open Public Meeting's Act Statement: Read into the record by the Board Secretary.**

**Salute to the Flag**

**Roll Call:** Messrs. Jones (absent), Madden, Thomas (absent), Hart, Ms. Cavallo, Mr. Forcellati, Councilman Policastro, Chairman Hanlon, Mayor Randall (absent)

**Also in Attendance:** Gary J. Cucchiara, Esq., Board Attorney; Mr. E. Snieckus, Borough/Board Planner; Ms. JoAnn Carroll, Board Secretary

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**Nomination of Chairperson for 2024**

**Motion to nominate Member Hanlon as Chairperson for 2024:** Madden

**Seconded by:** Councilman Policastro

**Member Hanlon accepted the nomination**

**Ayes:** Madden, Hart, Cavallo, Forcellati, Councilman Policastro

**Nays:** None

**Nomination of Vice Chairperson for 2024**

**Please note: the nomination of a Vice Chairperson for 2024 was carried to the March 14, 2024 meeting of the Board**

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**Hazard Vulnerability Assessment Study (HVAS) of the Master Plan Public Session**

To discuss, provide an overview of the issues and receive input from the public regarding the land use study.

**Mr. Snieckus covered the following topics:**

1. Threats and Vulnerabilities
  - a. Increased temperatures
  - b. Shifts in precipitation and flooding
  - c. Drought and related effects
  - d. Frequency of events
2. Wildfires
3. Build out analysis
4. Review of critical facilities
5. Strategies and design standards
6. Master Plan review
7. Specific policy statements
8. Strategies and design standards; land use policies, goals and objectives
9. Land use regulations
10. Green infrastructure

11. Tree preservation and management
12. Community engagement and vulnerable populations

**Please know, a copy of the slide show presentation is available upon request.**

**No members of the public were in attendance.**

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**Approval of February 8, 2024 Minutes:** Councilman Policastro

**Seconded by:** Hart

**Ayes:** Madden, Hart, Cavallo, Forcellati, Councilman Policastro, Chairman Hanlon

**Nays:** None

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**Motion to Adjourn:** Madden

**Seconded by:** Hart

**All in Favor**

**None Opposed**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:45PM.**

Respectfully submitted by:

  
JoAnn Carroll

Planning Board Secretary

**APPROVED ON MARCH 14, 2024**