



MIDDLE SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
MARCH 16, 2017

The regular meeting of the Middle Smithfield Township Planning Commission was held on Thursday, March 16, 2017 at 5:30pm at the Schoonover Municipal Building with Bob Early presiding.

Planning Commission members present: Bob Early, Parin Shah, Mark Oney and Wayne Bolt. Also in attendance, Planning Commission alternate member Carrie Wetherbee, Planning Commission Solicitor Deborah Huffman, Esquire, and Township Secretary Michele L. Clewell. Bill Suriano was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Carrie Wetherbee made a motion to approve the February 17, 2017 minutes. Wayne Bolt seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Plan Submittals

None

Plan Reviews and Unfinished Business

None

Reviews and/or Recommendations

Proposed Zoning Hearing Board Ordinance; the Planning Commission was provided the proposed ordinance for their comments/recommendations. Copies of the Monroe County Planning Commission comments were also provided to the members. The Board of Supervisors has scheduled a public hearing on the proposed ordinance on Thursday, March 23, 2017 at 7pm.

Wayne Bolt made a motion to recommend approval of the proposed ordinance and forward to the Board of Supervisors for their March 23, 2017 public hearing. Carrie Wetherbee seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

New Business

None

Discussion

Zoning: None

SALDO; a draft redline of the SALDO, dated 09/07/2016 was provided at a previous meeting in order for the commission members to review. The Planning Commission Engineer, Fred Courtright, P.E. comments were reviewed at length. Following review of Mr. Courtright's comments, the consensus of the members is to accept and incorporate his recommendations into the proposed ordinance.

The following comments were received from the members:

1. Page 37: 170-24, **should** review a final major subdivision plan in conformance with the following procedures. A question was asked if the word used shouldn't be **shall**.
2. Page 44; **Staffperson** is two words
3. Page 45; **his/her representative**, should say "applicant or the applicant(s) representative". Please change this throughout the document.

The members will continue the review of the proposed draft at their next regular meeting on April 20, 2017.

Continuing Education

Penn State Winter/Spring Webinars; Carrie Wetherbee stated that the webinar held on Wednesday, March 15th was titled Pipelines and People; How Communities Can Better Understand and Manage Pipelines. Ms. Wetherbee stated that it was a very informative with regard to how many pipelines are in Pennsylvania.

Public Comment

None

Next Meeting

April 20, 2017 at 5:30pm.

Adjournment

Parin Shah made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50pm. Wayne Bolt seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele L. Clewell
Township Secretary

