



MIDDLE SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
JUNE 21, 2018

The regular meeting of the Middle Smithfield Township Planning Commission was held on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 5:30pm at the Schoonover Municipal building with Bob Early presiding.

Planning Commission members present: Bob Early, Parin Shah, Bill Suriano, Wayne Bolt and Mark Oney.

Also in attendance, Alternate Planning Commission member Carrie Wetherbee, Planning Commission solicitor Deborah Huffman, Esq., Township Engineer Fred Courtright, P.E. and Township Assistant Secretary Joan H. Woisin.

Plan presenters in attendance, Deanna Schmoyer, P.E of D&D Engineering and Construction

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Corrections to Minutes: Add Carrie Wetherbee to attendees; typo in paragraph 3 page 2— should read granted not grading. Bill Surino made a motion to approve the April 19, 2018 minutes with the stated corrections. Wayne Bolt seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Plan Submittals

Echo Lake Park Library Land Development Plan

Deanna Schmoyer, P.E. of D&D Engineering & General Construction, LLC presented the preliminary drawings of the proposed Library/Museum to be located at Echo Lake. Wayne Bolt made motion to accept plan submittal; Parin Shah seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Plan Reviews and Unfinished Business

None

Other reviews and/or Recommendations

Draft Act 537 Sewage Facilities Management Plan Special Study (2018) – Fred Courtright presented the revised Act 537 Special Study stating that the revision removes the provision that on-site septic must be used in the corridor before sewer connection is allowed. He stated that the original provision was put in place during time of growth that never materialized. The Board of Supervisors believe that this provision is hindering commercial growth. Fred also stated that the revised Special Study added the C2 commercial zone off Route 402 to the special study now rather than adjusting C1 and then redoing it to add C2 later.

Wayne Bolt made motion to direct the Secretary to complete the Form 4A, Municipal Planning Agency Review; Bill Suriano seconded; Motion passed 5-0.

Bill Suriano made motion to recommend approval of the revised Act 537 Special Study to the Board of Supervisors; Wayne Bolt seconded; Motion passed 5-0.

New Business

None

Discussion

Fred Courtright stated that he will be leaving Gilmore at the end of 2018 and that Mike Schwartz of Gilmore will be replacing him. Fred will be available for meetings until the end of 2018.

Mark Oney stated that the Board of Supervisors were reviewing the short term rental ordinance again and asked if members of the Planning Commission would be interested in looking at it and giving their opinions.

Continuing Education

Carrie Wetherbee stated that she completed the webinars offered by Penn State. Members of the Commission are interested in holding the Duties of a Planning Commission classes at Middle Smithfield.

Public Comment

None

Next Meeting

July 19, 2018 at 5:30pm.

Adjournment

Bob Early made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:10pm. Wayne Bolt seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan H. Woisin
Assistant Township Secretary
June 21, 2018