

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

September 9, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Meeting was called to order by Dean Roney at 7:00PM. Members present were: Bill Bailey, Pete Dion, Adam Reese, and Dean Roney with Sandy Anderson, Frank Sabol and Mary Miller absent. We have a quorum. Also in attendance: Lisa Valimont, Township Secretary/Zoning Administrator, Kurt Sandberg, Bill Lawrence, Myrna Lawrence and John R. Hagedorn.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Adam Reese made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 5th, 2019 meeting. Bill Bailey seconded the motion. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Monthly permit report (8-1-2019 to 8-31-2019) was reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Reviewed a subdivision plan to create a 4 acre parcel along the west side of Beckman Road and the south line of Interstate 90 for Gilmore Farms, Inc. Erie County Index 24-015-048.0-010.00. Said parcel contains a cell tower. Bill Lawrence spoke on behalf of the subdivision and stated that they are in talks with the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy for the residue acreage as the Conservancy doesn't want to deal with the cell tower. Motion to recommend approval by Bill Bailey seconded by Dean Roney. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

OTHER: The Board acknowledged the resignation of Mary Miller and discussion followed on a replacement. Dean proposed that the Township send Mary a letter thanking her for her service on the Board. All in agreement.

ANY BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR NOT DISCUSSED:

John R. Hagedorn appeared before the board asking for a discussion on why Agriculture is allowed in Limited Business District. His residence is on Pieper Road and the property to the south of him has put up an estimated 25' x 50' horse barn with electric within close proximity to his house. While this is a permitted use in Limited Business a building permit was not applied for. Also it was reported that there are 3 horses stabled there and our ordinance allows only one for the amount of acreage involved. Bill Bailey also spoke as his residence is across the street. Questions related to the location of the manure pile were discussed and also a 6' privacy fence. Lisa will notify the owner, Scott McCall, of the permit requirement and that only one horse is permitted. The home is currently being rented out. Mr. Hagedorn will file a formal complaint with the Zoning Administrator.

On a side note it was noticed the Commission has old Zoning maps and is requesting to be provided with up to date ones. Lisa will check into it.

Short discussion on the closing of Route 20 at the bridge project and the closing of Elk Park Road at the RR track at similar times.

Discussion of the Interstate 90 bridge removal by Penndot and not replacing them.

Bill Bailey asked on the status of the new Township building on the existing site. Lisa reported she was asking the Amish for quotes and the Township will be purchasing the materials themselves and they will be relocating the job trailer from its present location. Board agreed it is getting late into the year and the equipment needs to be under cover.

ADJOURNMENT:

Bill Bailey made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Adam Reese. All voting in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter C. Dion