

**READING TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

March 7, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Reading Township Planning Commission was held at the Reading Township Municipal Building and called to order at 6:30pm by Chairman Bill Bowen. Planning Commission members in attendance were Gerald Shank, Donald Godfrey and Alicia Wooters with Chairman Bowen presiding.

Others in attendance included Susan J. Smith, Solicitor, Andrew Merkel of Adams County Planning & Development, Kevin Fox of Gannett Fleming, John Winand, Steve Clingan, Wade Emig, Craig Nell, Deborah Nell as well as Supervisor Kevin Holtzinger.

A motion to accept the February 7, 2022 minutes was made by Alicia Wooters, Gerald Shank seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. John Winand address the Board about a recent subdivision and land swap he had approved in Reading Township. The Plan that was approved in the Township and recorded at the Recorder of Deeds in Adams County in November of 2021, was meant to result in two merged properties. Instead Mr. Winand and his neighbor Steve Clingan received tax bills for 2 separate properties each. Mr. Winand asked for clarification as to why this may have happened. The Solicitor, Susan J. Smith, told Mr. Winand that a deed for the lot mergers of the properties would need to be filed at the Courthouse in order for the County to acknowledge the lot mergers. She also informed Mr. Winand that this was not a matter for the Planning Commission. Andrew Merkel of ACOPD, assured Mr. Winand that he would look into the matter and follow up. Mr. Winand & Mr. Clingan thanked the Planning Commission for their time.

SUBDIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT

Nell to Emig Subdivision

Pre-liminary/Final Plan

SALD# 2021-06

Harlacher & Sowers Rd.

East Berlin, PA 17316

Craig & Deborah Nell as well as Wade Emig were present to address any questions from the Planning Commission about the revisions to their plan made by Jack Powell, P.E. The Plan was revised as of February 9, 2022 to address the comments made by the Township Engineer as well as ACOPD.

Jerry Shank made a motion to recommend conditional approval of the plan to the Board of supervisors with the conditions of Kevin Fox's March 7, 2022 letter of review being met as well as a Lot Merger Agreement being executed and recorded, Alicia Wooters seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Township Solicitor provided draft amendments to the Planning Commission for the Zoning Ordinance for Sign Regulations, these amendments were looked at by the Board of Supervisors at the February 21, 2022 meeting. The Planning Commission agreed to the draft amendments being sent to the Board of Supervisors to set a Public Hearing for amendments to the Zoning Ordinance: Sign Regulations.

Andrew Merkel provided draft amendments for the Planning Commission to review for the Agricultural District section of the Zoning Ordinance. All agreed to review the suggestions and discuss in further detail at the Planning Commission meeting scheduled for April 4, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:29pm was made Jerry Shank, Alicia Wooters seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiana Mummert
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