

**BETHEL TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES**

January 23, 2018

The Bethel Township Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Jayne Seifrit at 7:03 pm. Present were members Bill Straw, Brian Bauer, Corey Houser, Lee Groff, Michael Orendo, George Shollenberger, and Betsy Bowman. Also present were Eugene Orlando Jr., Solicitor, Engineer Gary Kraft, Zoning Officer Robin Royer and Jayne Seifrit.

Public Comment on Agenda–

Reorganization - Jayne Seifrit asked for nomination for Chairman Lee Groff nominated Bill Straw, seconded by Mike Orendo. All agreed. Motion carried. Bill Straw asked for nominations for Vice Chairman. George Shollenberger nominated Corey Houser for Vice Chairman, seconded by Betsy Bowman. All agreed. Motion carried. Bill Straw asked for nominations for Secretary. Bill Straw nominated Betsy Bowman, seconded by Lee Groff. All agreed. Motion carried.

Brian Bauer was introduced as the newest member of the Planning Commission.

Hearing of Visitors

Approval of Minutes

Lee Groff made a motion to approve minutes from December 18, 2017, seconded by Corey Houser. All agreed. Motion carried.

Solicitor – Eugene Orlando Jr.

Nothing at this time

Engineer – Gary Kraft

Nothing at this time

Zoning Officer – Robin Royer

Robin Royer stated she will address any questions from report.

550 Brown Rd – Robin Royer stated she inspected the property. They have put up a fence and there were not any tires behind the fence. There were trailers parked in an orderly fashion. Lee Groff asked about the ingress/egress being blocked. Robin Royer stated she didn't address that with the property owner. She will contact the owner to remind him he needs to comply with the recorded Land Development Plan.

9190 Old Route 22 – Robin Royer was given a guided tour. She verified through aerial photos when the trailers that are being used for storage arrived on the property. There is also a trailer that is utilized to check trucks in and out of the property. An additional doublewide has arrived on site. They are planning to use the doublewide for office space. Robin Royer also explained the various driveways and when they are used as it was explained to her. Robin Royer will talk to the Board about what they want to do.

Subdivisions

Boltz Subdivision

Corey Houser made a motion to accept extension letter for the Boltz Subdivision until May 19, 2018, seconded by Bill Straw. All agreed. Motion carried.

Blatt Subdivision

Corey Houser made a motion to accept extension letter for the Blatt Subdivision until May 19, 2018, seconded by Brian Bauer. All agreed. Motion carried.

New Subdivisions

Minor Subdivision/Lot Addition Plan for Dwight and Beverly Miller

Betsy Bowman made a motion to accept the plan for review, seconded by Brian Bauer. All agreed. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

SALDO – nothing at this time

Act 209 revisions – no update

Zoning Ordinance amendments – changes need to be sent to members

New Business

Annual Report – Michael Orendo made a motion to approve annual report, seconded by Corey Houser. All agreed. Motion carried.

Ethics – Return to Jayne once completed

Bethel Township Municipal Authority Grant Application – Jayne Seifrit summarized the letter submitted from McCarthy Engineering on behalf of BTMA. They are applying for a grant for metering influent flow to pumping stations located along Lancaster Ave and Old Route 22 and need a recommendation letter from the Planning Commission. Lee Groff made a motion authorizing Jayne to do and send a letter in support for the BTMA applying for a grant, seconded by Brian Bauer. All agreed. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Eugene Orlando said the woman that was here last month looking for the Planning Commission and Board to say she can build and do what she wants to on a lot off of Airport Rd took his advice which was to speak to a real estate attorney. She did and it turned out the information she had for the lot and the description was not matching. The lot was not available to be developed as she thought.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Michael Orendo to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Brian Bauer. All agreed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Jayne K Seifrit, Township Secretary