

**BETHEL TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES**

November 19, 2018

The Bethel Township Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Bill Straw at 8:13 pm. Present were members Betsy Bowman, Michael Orendo, Brian Bauer, George Shollenberger, Lee Groff and Bill Straw. Also, present were Eugene Orlando Jr., Solicitor, Gary Kraft, Engineer, Zoning Officer, Robin Royer and Jayne Seifrit.

Public Comment on Agenda–

Hearing of Visitors

Approval of Minutes

Brian Bauer made a motion to approve minutes from Joint Zoning/Map meeting October 23, 2018, seconded by Betsy Bowman. All agreed. Motion carried. George Shollenberger made a motion to approve minutes from October 23, 2018, seconded by Brian Bauer. All agreed. Motion carried.

Solicitor – Eugene Orlando

West Run – Eugene Orlando stated the Board of Supervisors reapproved the plan, the Planning Commission members shall sign the plan.

Engineer – Gary Kraft

Nothing at this time

Zoning Officer – Robin Royer

Lee Groff asked what alterations are being done at 13 Johnson Ln. Robin Royer stated she does not remember specifics but they are minor.

491 Frystown Rd – Brian Bauer stated there are rodents at the property.

Subdivisions

Midway Industrial South

Rik Longacre stated there is a grading plan and all other issues have been done on the plan. Rik Longacre stated the Municipal Authority agreed to waive items on McCarthy's review letter, like requiring a sewage meter but instead use the water meter. Michael Orendo made a motion to approve final plan condition on all items be completed on Kraft Engineering review letter dated November 7, 2018, seconded by Brian Bauer. All agreed. Motion carried.

NorthPoint

Gary Kraft stated they are waiting for NorthPoint.

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Lee Groff made a motion to approve final plan condition on all items be completed on Kraft Engineering review letter dated November 7, 2018, seconded by Brian Bauer. All agreed. Motion carried.

RAR2- Bethel Industrial LLC

The plan was discussed and concerns about truck traffic on Court Street were raised. John Wisser, McMahon Traffic Engineer, stated a truck management plan could be used, along with signage. There is not an ingress or egress on Court Street so that should deter trucks. Signage at driveways and intersections and part of the tenant/landlord agreement so it is enforceable. Mike Graby stated Old Route 22 is in bad condition, they should think about money toward Old Route 22.

New Subdivisions

Unfinished Business

SALDO – nothing at this time

Act 209 revisions – We are waiting for the Zoning/Map to be completed prior to moving forward in projecting the future land use assumptions for that report.

Corey Houser has not been at the last several meetings. The Planning Commission members would like Jayne Seifrit to send a letter asking his intentions.

New Business

Public Comment

Lisa Hassler stated she is blown away how a warehouse can just go on Old Route 22 without an issue, while the Bowman's have to fight to keep their zoning and the location is not going to affect local roads like the Old Route 22 property. She said the Bowman's have been at meeting after meeting to keep their zoning IC. She just doesn't understand. Robert Kessler stated years ago Court Street was going to be closed at I-78, but people expressed concerns and it remained open.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Brian Bauer to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Betsy Bowman. All agreed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:18 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Jayne K Seifrit, Township Secretary