

**BETHEL TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES**

May 28, 2019

The Bethel Township Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Bill Straw at 7:11 pm. Present were members Betsy Bowman, George Shollenberger, Michael Orendo, Corey Houser, Lee Groff and Bill Straw. Also, present were Stephen Price, Solicitor, Jeffrey Steckbeck, Engineer, Zoning Officer, Robin Royer and Jayne Seifrit.

Public Comment on Agenda–

Hearing of Visitors

Approval of Minutes

Corey Houser made a motion to approve minutes from April 23, 2019 joint meeting, seconded by Betsy Bowman. All agreed. Motion carried. George Shollenberger made a motion to approve minutes from April 23, 2019, seconded by Betsy Bowman. All agreed. Motion carried.

Solicitor – Stephen Price

Stephen Price stated he has nothing other than the agenda items.

Engineer – Jeffrey Steckbeck

Jeffrey Steckbeck stated he has nothing other than the agenda items.

Zoning Officer – Robin Royer

Robin Royer stated she did not get the report completed for the month.

It was asked what the result of the zoning hearing for the Met-Ed property went. Robin Royer stated the special exception was granted but the lot coverage variance requested was denied.

Subdivisions

NorthPoint

Michael Orendo made a motion recommending the Board accept extension letter until September 19, 2019, seconded by Bill Straw. All agreed. Motion carried.

RAR2 – Bethel Industrial LLC

DEP technical deficiency letter received. Lisa Hassler stated there is water rushing out of a hole on the property and going into the wet land. She is very concerned her son's property will be affected and become contaminated. It was stated the hole on the property is the well. Lee Groff stated it looks like the letter received from DEP will address issues she brought up.

Reber Estate

Corey Houser made a motion recommending the Board accept extension letter until August 27, 2019, seconded by Betsy Bowman. All agreed. Motion carried.

Bethel Business Park

Bill Straw made a motion to accept final plan for review, seconded by Betsy Bowman. All agreed. Motion carried.

Daub Road Warehouse

Bill Straw made a motion recommending the Board accept extension letter until September 13, 2019, seconded by Betsy Bowman. All agreed. Motion carried.

New Subdivisions

Leonard Martin Poultry Operation

George Shollenberger made a motion to accept plan for review, seconded by Lee Groff. All agreed. Motion carried.

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.

Zoning/Map Amendments –

New Business

Public Comment

Steve Burkhart stated in the past IC has been right at the interchanges, that is where it should be. His property has been IC for over thirty years then changed to Commercial then IC then back to C. He feels it should be IC like the other interchanges along I-78.

Jake Wilson stated he is co-owner of the Daub Road property currently has a plan before the Board. He is concerned about changes that could prevent them from using the property as zoned. It was stated the plan was submitted and is being reviewed as the zoning exists now, meaning IC. The AP would only happen if this plan would not go forward, and the proposed zoning would be adopted. Lee Groff stated the Board of Supervisors voted at their last meeting to not vacate Daub Road. Another owner of the property asked why the vacation of Daub Road will not happen. It was stated the farmers need the road to access fields. She feels her area is being targeted, trying to remove the IC zoning from their property.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Corey Houser to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bill Straw. All agreed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Jayne K Seifrit, Township Secretary