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Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 7, 2019

In attendance: Jason Paulovich; Tom Cajka; Norbert Cieslinski; Gary Kesicki; Scott Slezak

Rich Hill: Township Manager; Ray Antonelli: Township Engineer; Emily Mueller: Township Solicitor; Lindsay Fraser: Zoning & Ordinance Supervisor; Chuck Dizard: Commissioner; Jody Lamison: Zoning Officer; Meagan Concannon

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mr. Paulovich.

Mr. Paulovich entertained motions for the officers for 2019 to reorganize the commission.

Mr. Cajka made a motion to elect Jason Paulovich as Chairman; Mr. Kesicki seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Cajka made a motion to elect Scott Slezak as Vice Chairman; Mr. Paulovich seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Paulovich made a motion to elect Tom Cajka as Secretary; Mr. Slezak seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

Ms. Mueller spoke to an Ordinance to change the R1 zoning to R2 zoning in the Kingston Drive; Parkway Avenue; Meadow Street; & Overland Street area. The map displays it as R2, but the Ordinance does not.

Mr. Slezak moved to make a recommendation to the Board to approve the Ordinance once the County has had 45 days to examine and comment on it. An advertisement for the hearing will be placed in the newspaper and posted in the area. Mr. Paulovich seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

There was a discussion regarding a potential ordinance for installing sidewalks. There is concern about PennDot right of way along the Walmart Freeport Road corridor. To date, the Planning Commission has requested business that are moving in or redeveloping to install a sidewalk. A few have complied; several have cited the cost and details in not honoring the request.

Questions were raised about

residential properties in that area;

the site lines on PennDot maps;

if PennDot may be willing to help with funding;

whether having an ordinance in place would facilitate that;

change of ownership;

an ordinance for the entire township;

if we can waive the ordinance in situations where PennDot would not permit a sidewalk;

Mr. Dizard will forward the Macklin Engineer plans to Mr. Antonelli. Mr. Antonelli suggested the Township Manager contact PennDot to ascertain their interest. Ms. Mueller stated she could draft a 'template ordinance' with blank areas. After much discussion, the Planning Commission decided to table a decision until they received further information.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm after a motion of Mr. Cajka, second by Mr. Slezak and unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Jody L Lamison