



HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes 6-30-14

Planning Commission members present: Mark Steidinger, Teena Bailey, Rodney Schlauch Jr., Sidney German and Douglas Tietze. Also present was Janice Meyers. Priscilla Brennan and Patti Fenstermacher were absent.

Motion by Teena Bailey, seconded by Sidney German to appoint Mark Steidinger as Chair for 2014. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark Steidinger, seconded by Douglas Tietze to appoint Priscilla Brennan as vice-chair for 2014. Motion carried.

Motion by Rodney Schlauch Jr., seconded by Douglas Tietze to appoint Teena Bailey as Secretary for 2014. Motion carried.

Motion by Teena Bailey, seconded by Rodney Schlauch Jr. to appoint Janice Meyers as Recording Secretary for 2014. Motion carried.

Motion by Douglas Teitze, seconded by Sidney German to approve the minutes of December 30, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

None

Plan Review Old Business:

None

Plan Review New Business:

None

Other Business:

1. Courtesy review of proposed Lynn Township ordinance changes regarding Age-Qualified Community Overlay District and Rezoning of Existing Districts:

Ordinance 14-04 – Age-Qualified Community Overlay District –

1. Recommend that the original zoning district remain or that any changes comply with the regional comprehensive plan.
2. The members need a copy of the entire zoning ordinance as it exists to allow comment regarding section 900 and the addition of section 981.
3. Section 391A.1 is not consistent with the regional comprehensive plan.
4. Section 391A.2 is not compatible with the existing neighborhood.
5. Section 393B.6 – The members strongly disagree with the accessory uses to the AQC-OD being allowed within the BM – Blue Mountain and AP – Agriculture Preservation Districts.

6. Section 397A – Dimensional requirement does not agree with the current SALDO or regional comprehensive plan.
7. Section 398A.1 – Recreations fees should be paid upon subdivision for each unit planned for construction as to not create future collection issues.
8. The members are concerned about the usage of the local roads within Heidelberg Township. Disagree that traffic volume will not be dramatically increased by the higher density housing. Most people 55 and older do drive, some well into their 80's and own more than one vehicle.
9. The members could not find any contingency that would cover costs created if owners of these homes would have school age children residing in the home.
10. Strongly agree with the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission letter.

Ordinance 14-05 – Rezoning of Existing Districts -

1. The members are concerned that no part of Weiss Road has been constructed for commercial use.
2. Properties surrounding the area to be rezoned are zoned AP – Agriculture Preservation.
3. Rezoning to GC/GI – General Commercial/General Industrial does not comply with the regional comprehensive plan.
4. Strongly agree with the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission letter.

Adjourn Meeting:

Motion by Teena Bailey, seconded by Sidney German to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm.
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice M. Meyers
Recording Secretary