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Middle Paxton Township

MIDDLE PAXTON TOWNSHIP
Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2015

The September 14, 2015 meeting of the Middle Paxton Township Planning Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Liz Rodda. The following members were present: Gary Deimler, Jeff Smith, and Bill Kotkiewicz. Also present was Julie Seeds, Recording Secretary.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Deimler moved to approve the meeting minutes for August 10, 2015, Seconded by Mr. Kotkiewicz. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Middle Paxton Township-Dauphin Borough Joint Comprehensive Plan Review & Update

Ms. Seeds reported the consultants with Environmental Planning and Design met with various stakeholders as recommended by the Board of Supervisors. Minor refinements to the Joint Comprehensive Plan were suggested by the stakeholders. The consultants will present the suggested refinements to the Board of Supervisors at their September regular business meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jeff Staub with Dauphin Engineering was in attendance to present a Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plan dated 08/25/2015 for Carolyn W. Shaffer. Mr. Staub outlined the purpose of the subdivision plan is to reconfigure lot lines of two (2) parcels owned by Mrs. Shaffer with no new building lots proposed. Questions were asked in regards to the existing private gravel drive as shown on the plan, with a recommendation by the Planning Commission to clarify the gravel drive ownership with a note on the plan.

The Commission recommended approval of the following waivers:

1. SALDO Article 3, Section 304 – Preliminary Plan requirement
2. SALDO Article 3, Section 305.AL – Erosion and Sediment Pollution Control
2. SALDO Article 3, Section 308.C – Stormwater Management Requirements

Mr. Deimler moved to recommend the three (3) waivers, Seconded by Mr. Kotkiewicz, the Motion carried unanimously.

The Plan itself was recommended for approval contingent upon the following:

1. Compliance with Light-Heigel review comments dated September 14, 2015 (attached).
2. Compliance with Tri County Planning Commission review comments dated September 09, 2015 (attached).

Mr. Kotkiewicz moved to recommend the plan with the gravel drive clarification as discussed, Seconded by Mr. Deimler, the Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Seeds presented information on two (2) workshops offered in October, Floodplain Management, and Agricultural Security Areas, by Dauphin County Conservation District.

Board Member Comments

Ms. Rodda reported she presented former Planning Commission member Dave Crew with a plaque for his several years of volunteering to serve on the Commission.

In addition, Ms. Rodda reported that Dauphin County was one of 40 applicants that were chosen to move onto Phase 2 of the grant opportunity from HUD/Rockefeller foundation for Hazard Mitigation funding for the Hurricane Lee/Tropical Storm Sandy that caused much devastation in the area.

Ms. Seeds reminded all of the Dauphin Middle Paxton Fire Company Open House to be held on Saturday September 19, 2015. Middle Paxton Township will also participate with face painting and treats for all.

It was also noted that the Board of Supervisors agreed to participate in the CRS (Community Rating System) Program which ultimately will save the residents who pay flood insurance by lowering their rates.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 P.M. Mr. Deimler moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Mr. Kotkiewicz. The Motion carried unanimously.

Respectively Submitted,

Julie A. Seeds
Recording Secretary