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Middle Paxton Township

**MIDDLE PAXTON TOWNSHIP
Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2018**

The May 14, 2018 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, Ralph Stone, Bill Kotkiewicz, and Chip Brown.

Also present were Julie Seeds, Recording Secretary, Ed Fisher, Township Representative with Light-Heigel & Associates, and Casey Baxendale, with Dauphin County Planning Commission.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, Mr. Brown moved to approve the meeting minutes for March 12, 2018, Seconded by Mr. Stone. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old Business.

Ms. Seeds reported the preliminary Final Minor Subdivision & Lot Addition Plan over lands of Flemish Down, LLC., that was recommended by the Planning Commission at their March 12, 2018 meeting was approved by the Board of Supervisors at their April 2, 2018 regular business meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Greg Schwartz was in attendance to review two waiver requests for the previously approved preliminary subdivision and land development plan for Parkway Estates. The waiver requests dated May 8, 2018 detailed each request; Section 501.F 0 Street Widths and Types and Section 501.D.2.6 - Vertical Curves.

Mr. Schwartz discussed the street width (cartway) requirement according to the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SALDO) of Middle Paxton Township of being 30' and requested the street width of 24' due to the larger lot sizes and the lots are proposed to have long driveways with all off street parking. The benefits are less impervious to reduce storm water runoff.

In addition, Mr. Schwartz stated that the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SALDO) of Middle Paxton Township exceeds standards of those from AASHTO/PennDOT requirements for vertical curves and lengths. (AASHTO – American Association of State Highway and Transportations Officials).

Ed Fisher with Light-Heigel & Associates presented a memo dated 03/30/2017 in regards to the two waiver requests as described. The memo also contained a drawing depicting the difference between the vertical curve per the requirements of the Township's SALDO and the requirements from AASHTO/PennDOT. The Planning Commission members thanked Mr. Fisher for the illustration as it was quite helpful to understand the difference in regards to the vertical curve waiver request.

After a brief discussion the Commission recommended approval of the two waiver requests as follows:

1. SALDO Section 501.F – Street Widths and Types
2. SALDO Section 501.D.2.6 – Vertical Curves

Mr. Deimler moved to recommend the (2) waivers, Seconded by Mr. Stone. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Fisher noted that the requests were actually more of a language modification versus waiver requests. Chairman Rodda asked Ms. Seeds if the agenda should be revised to reflect language modification. Ms. Seeds stated the request was submitted as Waivers, but she would discuss this with the Township Solicitor and provide a clarification. Mr. Schwartz concurred that he submitted waiver requests.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m., Mr. Stone moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Mr. Deimler. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectively Submitted,

Julie A. Seeds
Recording Secretary