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Middle Paxton Township

**MIDDLE PAXTON TOWNSHIP
Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2018**

The July 9, 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; Ralph Stone, Bill Kotkiewicz, and Don Morse.

Also present were Julie Seeds, Recording Secretary, Ed Fisher, Township Representative with Light-Heigel & Associates.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, Mr. Stone moved to approve the meeting minutes for May 14 2018, Seconded by Mr. Morse. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ryan Jorich presented a sketch plan – Chestnut Hill - Clustered Development Concept Plan, dated June 2018. The sketch plan proposed 46 building lots on 68 acres located on Speece Lane; 30 acres proposed for development and 38 acres will be left to open space with the eastern property line bordering Clarks Creek.

Mr. Jorich explained he is looking at open space development where the zoning ordinance of Middle Paxton Township allows for smaller lot sizes. The lots proposed will range from 20,000 square feet to 32,670 square feet (.75 acres). Mr. Jorich stated the emphasis on this development is sustainable and affordable with using alternative septic systems that are DEP approved and last longer than a traditional sandmound.

In addition, Mr. Jorich explained there will be a common open space on the remaining 38 acres for the residents of the subdivision to enjoy the outdoors and wildlife with proposed trails, meadows, wooded areas and fishing in the local creek.

Mr. Jorich also included a slide presentation of other open space concepts he visited around the east coast and explained more in detail of the eco flow coco filter alternative septic systems.

A few questions were asked by the Planning Commission in regards to the sketch plan and open space concepts and if there were any local subdivisions in the area such as what he is proposing; Mr. Jorich answered none that he knew of at this time.

Mr Jorich was thanked for the presentation and the details put into the sketch plan.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM. Mr. Morse moved to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Mr. Stone. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectively Submitted,

Julie A. Seeds
Recording Secretary