

**EASTTOWN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

MAY 01, 2018

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Mark Stanish. Other members present: Tim Brennan, Mary Hashemi, and John McCarty. Also attending: Eugene C. Briggs, Jr., AICP, CZO, Assistant Township Manager/Director of Planning and Zoning/Zoning Officer and Kim Venzie, Esq., Alternate Planning Commission Solicitor.

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There were no comments from either the Planning Commission or the public. On a motion by Mr. McCarty, seconded by Mr. Brennan, the Planning Commission unanimously approved the meeting minutes from April 03, 2018.

SD 517 – 30, 50, and 55 Price Avenue – Berwyn Village II (Mack Oil) – Preliminary/Final Subdivision and Land Development Plan

This item was tabled at the request of the Applicant.

Sketch Plan – 709 Berwyn Avenue

The Application proposes to subdivide one residential lot into two two-family duplex dwelling lots with the Applicant constructing the two duplexes on the newly created lot line. The Applicant has not requested informal reviews from the Township Consultants. After discussion, Chairman Stanish opened the floor to the public and there were no comments.

ZHB 572 – 3 Hedgerow Lane

The Commission was to review a similar Zoning Hearing Board (ZHB) Application at its January 04, 2018 meeting, but the meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather. The Application was subsequently denied by the ZHB on January 16, 2018 and the Applicant appealed the denial on February 16, 2018. With this new Application, the Applicant still proposes to install a pool and related improvements within areas of Very Steep Slopes, but has reduced the relief being requested. Variances are requested from Sections 455-31.D and 274-24.A.2 to disturb 40% (previous request was 100%) of Very Steep Slopes, where the maximum disturbance allowed is 15% and to cover Very Steep Slopes with 39% (previous request was 51%) Impervious Surfaces, where the maximum Impervious Surfaces allowed is 5%. After discussion,

Chairman Stanish opened the floor to the public and there were no comments. The Commission took no action on this Application.

Introduction of Candidates for Planning Commission Vacancy

On February 06, 2018, Michael Cappelletti resigned from the Commission. At its February 19, 2018 meeting, the Board announced this vacancy and asked interested residents to submit emails/letters of interest to the Township by March 09, 2018. A vacancy notice was also placed on the Township Website. The Township received nine emails/letters of interest. The Board of Supervisors asked for the Commission's input into its vacancy appointment. To that end, the Commission has invited the Candidates to tonight's meeting to observe the meeting proceedings and welcomes them to make a brief introduction and explain why they want to volunteer in this capacity. Applicants Jay Bachmann, Jim Brennan, Fred Pioggia, Wayne Riddle, and Ann Rothmann were in attendance and all gave introductions to the Commission.

Public Comment

Chris Varga, of 1023 Tenby Road, provided information on keeping chickens on residential properties and spoke to the Commission about possibly amending Section 455-48.A.(4)(b) of the Zoning Code to allow chickens on properties less than the currently required minimum of two net acres. The Commission asked Mr. Briggs to research related regulations in neighboring Townships and continue the discussion at a later meeting, if necessary.

Announcements

Next tentatively scheduled Workshop is Tuesday, June 05, 2018 at 6:30 pm. Next regularly scheduled Regular Meeting is Tuesday, June 05, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 08:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Jones
Recording Secretary