

December 6, 2017
7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Monroe Township Planning Commission was called to order by Chairperson Nelson. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

ATTENDANCE

Sharon Nelson, Chairperson
Sheldon Brymesser, Vice-Chairman
Carl Kuhl

David DeNicholas
Mark Swartz
Holly Wood, Recording Secretary

MINUTES

Mr. Brymesser noted that his abstaining from the vote regarding the motion made to have the Solicitor reiterate the Township's desire to not change its on-lot septic program requirements was not noted in the minutes. Mr. Brymesser asked that the minutes be amended to reflect his abstaining from the vote.

On the motion of Mr. DeNicholas, and seconded by Mr. Kuhl, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2017 regular meeting as amended.

CORRESPONDENCE

The "Adventures in Land Development" brochure that was included in the meeting packet was noted. Mr. Kuhl said he attended the seminar and would provide notes to the other Planning Commission members. Mr. Kuhl also noted that he will be attending the County Planning Department workshop next week on the "Return on Environment".

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of 2018 Meeting Dates

Mr. DeNicholas asked if there was any interest or opposition to an earlier start time for next year's meeting, say 6:00 or 6:30 PM vs. 7:00 PM. Mr. Swartz noted that 6:00 PM would be too early for him due to work, but 6:30 PM could work. No other objections were expressed, but the fact that all other Township meetings are scheduled to start at 7:00 PM was noted. It was suggested to check with the professionals before moving forward on a time change, and a decision could be made at the next meeting.

On the motion of Mr. DeNicholas, and seconded by Mr. Brymesser, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to approve the 2018 Meeting Dates with as presented with a start time of 7:00 PM, with discussion on a starting time change to be re-explored after getting input from the professional staff.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Kuhl noted that the contracts with SMTMA to provide public water and sewer to Allenberry and the Breeches of Allenberry development were signed by both the Monroe Township Board of Supervisors and the Monroe Township Municipal Authority. Mr. DeNicholas asked if Monroe will get anything from the agreements, to which Mr. Kuhl said we would get increased Earned Income and Real Estate tax revenues.

Ms. Nelson mentioned the financial presentation that PEL hosted today for township officials and staff. Mr. Swartz was the only Planning Commission member unable to attend, so a quick briefing on what the presentation entailed was given. General thoughts and opinions with regard to the EIP and budgeting were shared by all Planning Commission members. Ms. Nelson noted that a phase 2 to include Comprehensive Planning was brought up several times during the presentation, which she is hoping is a good sign for moving forward on a new Comprehensive Plan for the Township.

Ms. Nelson relayed Mr. Stoner's happy holiday wishes to the Planning Commission.

ADJOURN

On the motion of Mr. Brymesser, and seconded by Mr. Swartz, and by unanimous vote of the members it was duly RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Wood
Recording Secretary