Warrington Township Planning Commission Minutes for April 20, 2017 Meeting

The regular meeting of the Warrington Township Planning Commission was held at 7:00 pm. April 20, 2017 at the Township Building located at 852 Easton Road, Warrington, PA 18976. The members present were as follows:

Richard Rycharski

Ben Redd

Vice Chair

Vince Evans

Secretary

Ted Cicci

Member

Bill Connolly

Fred Gaines

Brian Shapiro

Chair

Wice Chair

Member

Member

Member

Member

Roy Rieder, P.E. Planning and Zoning

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

Robert Garges, 3014 Bristol Rd.

Asked regarding notifications being sent regarding to him. Mr. Rieder stated that only Zoning Hearing Board hearings require written notification. He also advised that he can submit a written request to be notified.

Donald Trost, 2910 Bristol Rd

He agreed that notifications had not been sent, but they had been told they would be informed. His property had been surveyed without his knowledge or permission.

Also, Mr. Gaines stated that notification to surrounding properties for plans is being taken under advisement as they review the ordinances.

Attendees were advised that this item has been removed from this evening's agenda.

Shawn McGuigan, Jericho Dr.

Mr. McGuigan has applied as an alternate member of the Planning Commission. Mr. McGuigan introduced himself and gave a brief bio. Mr. Rycharski explained the responsibilities

1. Approval of Minutes

a. March 16, 2017

On a motion made by Mr. Cicci, seconded by Mr. Gaines, the Warrington Township Planning Commission voted to approve the minutes of March 16, 2017. This motion passed with a vote of 5-0-2.

Mr. Cicci – yes Mr. Conolly - yes Mr. Evans – yes Mr. Gaines - yes

Mr. Redd – abstain Mr. Rycharski – yes Mr. Shapiro - abstain

2. Posting of Minutes

a. April 6, 2017

On a motion made by Mr. Redd, seconded by Mr. Evans, the Warrington Township Planning Commission voted to post the minutes of April 6, 2017. This motion passed with a vote of 7-0.

Mr. Cicci – yes Mr. Conolly - yes Mr. Evans – yes Mr. Gaines - yes

Mr. Redd – yes Mr. Rycharski – yes Mr. Shapiro - yes

3. Old Business

a. Review and make recommendations concerning proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments and Zoning Map Changes regarding medical marijuana

There was brief discussion on the draft ordinance and zoning map changes for the Medical Marijuana form the solicitor's office. Mr. Conolly pointed out one error on the map; Mr. Rieder stated the correction would be made.

In a motion by Mr. Evans, and seconded by Mr. Cicci, voted to recommend to the Board of Supervisors approval of the draft ordinance for Medical Marijuana with the stated revision to the zoning map. The motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Cicci – yes Mr. Conolly - yes Mr

Mr. Evans – yes Mr. Gaines - yes

Mr. Redd – yes Mr. Rycharski – yes Mr. Shapiro - yes

4. New Business – The Murphy tract was taken off the agenda at the request of the applicant

5. Comprehensive Plan

Mr. Rieder had received the drafts of the first three chapters of the comprehensive plan from Bucks County Planning Commission.

A tentative workshop will be held with the Board of Supervisors to review the comprehensive plan progress on May 4th, 2017 at 7pm to discuss cluster zoning.

They took a short recess to review the Bucks County draft so they could be discussed tonight prior to discussion in the joint workshop with the supervisors.

In a motion by Mr. Evans, and seconded by Mr. Conolly, the Planning Commission voted to recommend to the Board of Supervisors the inclusion of the Bucks County Planning Commission's revision work of the first three chapters of the Comprehensive Plan. The motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Cicci – yes Mr. Conolly - yes Mr. Evans – yes Mr. Gaines - yes

Mr. Redd – yes Mr. Rycharski – yes Mr. Shapiro - yes

6. Subcommittee Reports – none

7. Additional Business

Mr. Cicci made a motion to recommend Shawn McGuigan as an alternate member of the Planning Commission. Mr. Conolly seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Cicci – yes Mr. Conolly - yes Mr. Evans – yes Mr. Gaines - yes

Mr. Redd – yes Mr. Rycharski – yes Mr. Shapiro - yes

Next Meeting – May 4, 2017

Adjournment – 8:30 pm

Recorder: Amy Organek