Warrington Township Planning Commission Minutes for July 19, 2018 Meeting

The regular meeting of the Warrington Township Planning Commission was held at 7:00 pm. July 19, 2018 at the Township Building located at 852 Easton Road, Warrington, PA 18976. The members present were as follows:

Richard Rycharski Chair Shawn McGuigan Member Bill Connolly Vice Chair Bob Watts Member

Vince Evans Secretary Fred Gaines Excused - Alternate

Ted Cicci Member

Herb Rubenstein Member Roy Rieder, P.E. Planning & Zoning

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment – none

1. Approval of Minutes

a. June 7, 2018

On a motion made by Mr. Cicci, seconded by Mr. Evans, the Warrington Township Planning Commission voted to approve the minutes of June 7, 2018. This motion passed with a vote of 7-0.

Mr. Cicci - yes Mr. Connolly - yes Mr. Evans - yes Mr. McGuigan - yes Mr. Rubenstein - yes Mr. Rycharski - yes Mr. Watts - yes

2. Posting of Minutes

a. June 21, 2018

On a motion made by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Cicci, the Warrington Township Planning Commission voted to post the minutes of June 21, 2018. This motion passed with a vote of 7-0.

Mr. Cicci - yes Mr. Connolly - yes Mr. Evans - yes Mr. McGuigan - yes Mr. Rubenstein - yes Mr. Rycharski - yes Mr. Watts - yes

3. Old Business - None

4. New Business

a. Review and, if appropriate, make recommendations for a proposed zoning text amendment regarding fireworks.

There was discussion the appropriateness of this ordinance in the zoning ordinance. Mr. Connolly and Mr. Rubenstein agreed they would collaborate to compile a draft ordinance that would be cover the appropriate issues for the zoning ordinance. The remaining items could be listed to be should be put in a nuisance ordinance. They felt that the ordinance would require enforcement by the zoning officer while enforcement of violations regarding misconduct during the use of the fireworks should properly belong to the police. Leaving these issues in the zoning ordinance would push them to the zoning hearing board for appeal decisions. The planning commission also indicated that some issues regarding the storage of fireworks should be enforced by the fire marshal

rather than the zoning officer. The zoning ordinance would have to indicate the zoning district where they could be sold.

Mr. Rubenstein and Mr. Connolly said they would be willing to revise a draft containing only the land use provisions for a zoning amendment to present to the township solicitor.

Mr. Cicci made a motion to table the discussion and decision on the ordinance regarding the fireworks until an alternate draft can be created and submitted to the solicitor including only the zoning appropriate items. Mr. Evans seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

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Mr. Cicci - yes Mr. Connolly - yes Mr. Evans - yes Mr. McGuigan - yes Mr. Rubenstein - yes Mr. Rycharski - yes Mr. Watts - yes
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5. Subcommittee Reports

a. Ad-hoc Committee to overhaul the Zoning Ordinances and SALDO

Mr. Rieder reviewed the progress by the Bucks County Planning Commission on the ordinance revisions.

There were some questions that had been submitted regarding the cemetery property.

6. Additional Business

Chick-fil-a – conditional use is due in Two Wawa sketch plans are due in

Next Meeting – August 2, 2018

Adjournment – 8:00pm

Recorder: Amy Organek