

MINUTES
EXETER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
JANUARY 3, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Exeter Township Planning Commission was held on Monday, January 3, 2011 at the Township Hall, 4975 DeMoss Road, Berks County, Pennsylvania. Donald R. Wilson, Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

COMMISSION MEMBERS: Donald R. Wilson, Chairman
John W. Bittig, Vice Chairman
William R. A. Rush, Secretary
Richard Littlehales
Gary L. Shane
Christy Staudt

ABSENT: Greg T. Unger

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Joe Rogosky, GVC Consulting Engineer
Cheryl Franckowiak, Zoning Officer
Linda Cusimano, Recording Secretary

1. MINUTES

MOTION BY Mr. Littlehales, seconded by Mr. Rush, to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2010 Planning Commission Meeting as presented. The motion carried with Mr. Wilson, Mr. Bittig, Mr. Rush, Mr. Littlehales, Mrs. Staudt voting in favor and Mr. Shane abstaining.

2. AGENDA

MOTION BY Mr. Littlehales, seconded by Mr. Shane, to approve the agenda of the January 3, 2011 Planning Commission meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

3. RE-ORGANIZATION

MOTION BY Mr. Bittig, seconded by Mr. Littlehales to appoint Mr. Donald Wilson as Chairman of the Planning Commission for the year 2011. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION BY Mr. Rush, seconded by Ms. Staudt to appoint Mr. John Bittig as Vice Chairman of the Planning Commission for the year 2011. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION BY Mr. Shane, seconded by Mr. Littlehales to appoint Mr. William Rush as Secretary of the Planning Commission for the year 2011. The motion carried unanimously.

4. SET PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

The Planning Commission agreed to meet the first Monday of the month at 7pm with the exception of July and September. The July meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 6th at 7pm. The September meeting will be held Wednesday, September 7th at 7pm.

5. PARKS & RECREATION – OFFICIAL MAP

Mrs. Franckowiak asked that we table the discussion as Joe Seltzer was going to approach the Board at the next meeting to ask to update the Recreation Comprehensive plan, giving Great Valley the authorization to help with that. Then he would come before the Planning Commission in February. Mr. Bittig asked if the plan included trails. Mrs. Franckowiak replied yes, it did. Mr. Wilson stated that he received a number of suggestions for the official map from Carolyn Brunschwyler (a member of the economic council). Mr. Wilson then asked that we get that information from Troy Bingaman to share with the Planning Commission. Ms. Staudt asked how the process for updating the official map worked. Mr. Wilson replied that we review all suggestions and discuss that; it takes some time before we are ready to present it to the Board. Mr. Wilson further stated that we would be looking at Zoning, SALDO and any other ordinances that need to be revised. Mr. Littlehales asked if the Conservancy had any piece of Exeter Township included in the Neversink area that they are working on. Ms. Staudt replied that they just applied for a grant to work on the trails and they would like to tie that into Exeter. Ms. Staudt further stated that she would send the information to Ms. Cusimano to distribute to the Planning Commission.

Public Comment

Jordan Bausher, 391 Ritters Road, stated that he was really interested to know what collaboration existed between the School District and the Township on recreation. They obviously spend a lot of money on facilities as well as providing maintenance for them. What happens between the two entities? Mrs. Franckowiak replied that the truth is there was no collaboration. That was not to say that Joe Seltzer does not want that to happen, but as it is right now there is none. Mr. Littlehales stated that the only time there was any collaboration was when someone suggests a dual meeting.

6. PLANNING COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT 2010 - APPROVAL

MOTION BY Mr. Rush, seconded by Mr. Littlehales to approve the Planning Commission annual report for 2010 and forward it to the Board of Supervisors. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY Mr. Rush, seconded by Mr. Littlehales, to adjourn the January 3, 2011 meeting of the Exeter Township Planning Commission at 8:00pm. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



William R. A. Rush,
Secretary