

**THORNBURY TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY
PLANNING COMMISSION
GENERAL MEETING
January 11, 2010**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jim Jordan, Chairman
Arnie Maguire
Brooks Durham
Barbara Iacovelli
Peter DuFault
Steve Zippi
Patrick Karnick

OTHERS PRESENT:

Teresa DeStefano, Recording Secretary

Jim Jordan noted that he is the active chairman and today we will be electing a new chairman and vice chairman. We need someone to elect someone to start the meeting tonight.

Barbara Iacovelli nominated Brooks Durham and Jim Jordan seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

CALL TO ORDER:

Brooks Durham called the meeting of the Planning Commission (PC) to order at 7:00 PM in the Township meeting room and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

REORGANIZATION

Jim Jordan nominated Brooks Durham for chairman. Arnie Maguire seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Brooks called for a vote for vice chairman.

Jim Jordan nominated Peter DuFault for vice-chairman. Barbara Iacovelli seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Peter DuFault thanked Jim Jordan for the nomination. He also acknowledged Jim's efforts on the past several years while leading the commission and while they do not always agree, he respects his views.

Jim Jordan accepted and noted that he isn't going anywhere; the past years have been a learning experience and as a group we have done well for the Township. I'm also very proud of that the Commission has kept the Township out of litigation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 15, 2009

Barbara Iacovelli made a motion to approve the draft minutes of the December 15, 2009 PC meeting, with the amended changes. Peter DuFault seconded the motion. Barbara Iacovelli, Jim Jordan, Peter DuFault and Brooks Durham were in favor. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Board of Supervisors (BOS)

Ed Travis reported that at the reorganization meeting that Mike Gast is the new Chairman and Bob Miller is the vice Chairman.

Barbara Iacovelli requested if we could get a copy of a list of all the new commissions.

Brooks Durham inquired if there was a list of what the Board of Supervisors wants the Planning Commission to pursue.

Peter DuFault inquired about Cheyney University having to require permits for the current work going on.

Ed Travis noted that our solicitor is working on a letter to get out to them.

Barbara Iacovelli inquired about the salt shed.

Ed Travis noted that is it on the work session agenda this month.

Ed Travis also noted that the Penn Oaks Golf expansion was approved.

Ed Travis noted that the Squire Cheyney Farm has been put on the National Historic Registry.

OTHER MATTERS

Applicant Karin Crooks and James Fritsch, P.E. from Register Associates, Inc. were present to respond to comments about the traffic study by Andy Heinrich, from Heinrich & Klein Associates, Inc. and the confusion it brought up.

Karin Crooks wanted to give a little history of the property and the fact that it has been in our family since 1864. The house was built in 1955.

Karin crooks noted that she wanted to keep the feeling of the land and keep the existing driveway.

James Fritsch noted that from the November meeting we have complied with Mike Conrad's comments from his October 9, 2009 letter.

Peter DuFault noted that our engineer is one who should be here to advise us on the traffic study report and also our solicitor.

Barbara Iacovelli noted that we need to have our Engineer and solicitor attend the next meeting.

James Fritsch wanted to thank the commission for letting Karin Crooks and myself coming in front of you tonight to clear up any misunderstanding. We will see you at your next meeting.

Arnie Maguire inquired about the information the planning Commission received about Riparian Buffer's and how Township landowners can earn profits while helping improve water quality.

Teresa DeStefano noted that the information is on the Web site for homeowners to read.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, Jim Jordan motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM. Peter DuFault seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Planning Commission is scheduled for Monday February 9, 2009 at 7:00 PM in the Thornbury Township meeting room.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa DeStefano
Recording Secretary