

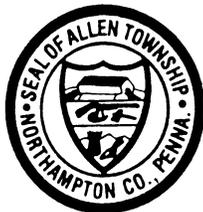
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MINUTES ALLEN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING Monday, December 15, 2014 7:00 P.M.

The regular monthly meeting of the Allen Township Planning Commission was held on Monday, December 15, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. at the Allen Township Municipal Building, 4714 Indian Trail Road, Northampton, Pennsylvania 18067. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Roll Call: Present: William Holmes; Alfred Pierce; Louis Tepes, Jr.; Eugene Clater; Ilene Eckhart; Brien Kocher, P.E.(Hanover Engineering; Jim Milot (Hanover Engineering); B. Lincoln Treadwell, Jr., Esq. Absent: David Irons

Minutes: Mr. Clater made a motion to approve the minutes of October 20, 2014; seconded by Mr. Pierce. On the motion, by roll call vote, all Commissioners present voted yes.

Public to be Heard:

Old Business

1. **Short Lane Relocation Plan, update:** Mr. Milot presented the updated preliminary layout for the Short Lane Relocation. Mr. Milot explained the cul-de-sac provided the most flexibility by providing.... The plan has been refined to allow directional access off of Howertown Road to promote ingress only. The multi-directional below the parking lot still needs to be studied in consideration of the angled parking lot for the park and access to the residential properties in this area. Mr. Milot indicated that the Township has been in contact with the City of Bethlehem regarding the proximity of the water line and water line easement on the triangular lot owned by Mr. Aiello. To date Bethlehem has not responded. Mr. Milot noted the presented base map has been drawn from the Aiello/Bunk subdivision plans. Regarding stormwater management for the Dashuta and Aiello lots, both owner hope to utilize a portion of the Aiello triangular piece for stormwater management purposes. Mr. Milot

indicated he has also been in contact with the design engineer for the Rockefeller Development Group in conjunction with the intersection/road widening design process along Rt. 329 and the Rt. 329/Weaversville Road/Howertown Road intersection. Mr. Clater was concerned with a left turn movement (south) from Rt. 329 to Weaversville Road. Mr. Milot indicated that there was already a turning movement in place. Mr. Clater was concerned with a back up of the left turn to Short Lane. Mr. Milot did not anticipate this would be an issue. Mr. Milot did not feel it would be a problem for the flow along Weaversville but it would need to be studied. Mr. Clater was also concerned due to the Oak Lane access and the limited distance.

Mr. Pierce questioned if the triangular portion and the Short Lane existing road bed could be used as stormwater management. Mr. Kocher felt it could be utilized for stormwater management purposes. Mr. Pierce and Clater favored right-in and right-out only. Mr. Milot indicated that PennDOT may not be favorable for the right-in and right-out only. Mr. Clater felt some of the other engineering variable from some of the other parties involved should be taken into consideration prior to much more engineering work on the concept plan, as well as the two way movement off of Weaversville Road. Mr. Pierce agreed and felt that Mr. Milot should begin to evaluate the stormwater issues as part of the initial conversation with PennDOT.

2. Willow Ridge (Apartments)

A. Pathway Extension and update: Ms. Eckhart reported on the path connector issue to the County Park property. Ms. Eckhart indicated the County and the Township have still not received a plan from the developer to review. Ms. Eckhart further reported that she confirmed with the Road Department that currently the bulb at the public/private road terminus of McNair is utilized as the turnaround and an area to deposit snow by both the Township crew and the contractor removing snow within the Apartment area (McNair Drive – Private area).

Mr. Clater indicated that he visited the site at the area of the path connector and he felt the Township should coordinate with the developer to accommodate to access and work with the County

3. Traffic Analysis – Willowbrook Road and Savage Road: Mr. Milot

Mr. Clater

Mr. Pierce asked Mr. Clater to consider the plan for the pedestrian trail.

4. Willowbrook Farms – correspondence regarding conceptual sewer route to Catasauqua:

New Business – No New Business items.

Ordinance Changes

A. Potential Ordinance revisions – multiple sections: Ongoing in new year.

Public Comment: There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ilene M. Eckhart