Washington Township Planning Commission March 3, 2025 Meeting Minutes Regular

Attendees:Lavern Brown – ChairmanCharles Maguire - SecretaryWayne Thomas – Vice ChairmanRichard Young – MemberOthers - Bill Burch, Jenny Miller, Lance Fox, David Chubb, Andrew Sickler, Ron Bednar

Lavern called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

The previous regular meeting minutes were reviewed. Wayne made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Richard. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Public Comments: None

New Business:

Northern dauphin Christian School: review of plans and discussion. Charles made a motion to recommend moving forward with the plan and waive the rec fee and waive sidewalks, provided county and engineer requirements are met. Wayne seconded and all were in favor.

Main Street urgent care: Jenny Miller asked about lighting annoyance. Kirsten McCorkle is concerned with lighting accumulation and with excessive sign lighting. She also requested some shrubbery along the 209 side of the building to improve esthetics. Bill Butch said subdued lighting would be used.

Charles made a motion to recommend moving forward with the plans, provided Diffused Subdued lighting and dark skylights for the pole lights will be used, and also recommend waiver for recreation fee and sidewalks. Wayne seconded and all were in favor.

Building and trades home for upper dauphin: Bill Burch discussion of housing development on the school land and technical school plans. Expecting to start on a house while working thru the subdivision process. (Informational only)

Ron Bednar conditional use: much discussion of use and options. Discussed section 27-1210. 1. A. 6, it says in the last sentence that the campground owner/operator may reside year round. Also discussed that a bed and breakfast is allowed but why not a house in very low density situation.

Charles made a motion to recommend allowing the plans to build a cabin/garage on his land and to allow full time residency if desired. Richard seconded and all were in favor.

Old Business:

Curative amendment: no action taken since the representatives did not attend tonight's meeting as scheduled during the last meeting.

Proposed solar ordinance: reviewed the proposed changes. Laverne made a motion to recommend that the proposed changes be adopted and to thank the supervisors for taking the time to rework the ordinance. Charles seconded and all were in favor.

A motion was made to adjourn by Wayne, seconded by Richard. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, Charles Maguire – Secretary