

POCONO TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 12th, 2016
7:00 P.M.

The Pocono Township Planning Commission Regular Meeting was held on September 12th, 2016 at the Pocono Township Municipal Building, Tannersville, PA, and opened by Chairman Ron Swink at 7:00 p.m. by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Ron Swink, present, Scott Gilliland, present; Marie Guidry, present; Robert Demarest, present; Robert DeYoung, present; Dennis Purcell, present; Jeremy Sawicki, absent.

Lisa Pereira, Planning Commission Solicitor, and Jon Tresslar, Township Engineer; Charles Vogt, Township Manager; and Pamela Finkbeiner, Township Secretary; were present.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COMMENTS: Chairman R. Swink noted the Planning Commission meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The board will address 5 comments per plan and noted each visitor has the right to comment at this time or before any action is taken on a matter.

CORRESPONDENCE:

TIME EXTENSION LETTERS:

- a) Margaret and Christopher Kinsley until 12/19/2016.
- b) SPA Castle until 04/17/2017.
- c) Amin LDP until 11/30/2016.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Introduction of Charles Vogt, Pocono Township Manager.

MINUTES:

S. Gilliland noted a correction under New Business concerning the Capital Improvement Plan.

M. Guidry made a motion, seconded by D. Purcell, to approve the minutes of the 08/22/2016 meeting with correction. All in favor. Motion carried.

NEW PLANS AND SUBMISSIONS FOR PLANNING COMMISSION REVIEW: None

Kinsley Minor Subdivision - Plan fees paid. Plan accepted at the 04/25/2016 P.C. Meeting. Tabled at the 08/22/2016 mtg. Revised plans submitted 06/17/2016. A time extension letter was received until 12/19/2016. The Board of Commissioners approved the RFM for SALDO Sec. 3.208.M - Maximum grade on local access street at their 09/06/2016 mtg. B. DeYoung made a motion, seconded by S. Gilliland, to table the Kinsley Minor Subdivision Plan. All in favor. Motion carried.

G. M. and Kailas Amin - 4 Lot Minor Subdivision - Plan fees paid. Plan accepted at the 05/09/2016 P.C. meeting. Tabled at the 08/22/2016 mtg. A time extension was received until 11/30/2016. Revised plans and response letter were submitted on 09/06/2016

B. DeYoung made a motion, seconded by S. Gilliland, to table the G.M. and Kailas Amin - 4 lot Minor Subdivision. All in favor. Motion carried.

PRELIMINARY PLANS UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Sheldon Kopelson - Commercial Development (Lot 3) - Plan accepted at the 08/13/2013 P.C. mtg. Tabled at the 08/22/2016 mtg. Deadline for consideration is 06/30/2016. S. Gilliland made a motion, seconded by B. DeYoung, to table the Sheldon Kopelson - Commercial Development (Lot 3) All in favor. Motion carried.

Spa Castle Land Development - Plan accepted at the 12/14/2015 mtg. Plan fees paid. Planning modules rejected by the Commissioners. Tabled at the 08/22/2016 mtg. A time extension letter was received until 04/17/2016. M. Guidry made a motion, seconded by B. Demarest, to table the Spa Castle Land Development Plan. All in favor. Motion carried.

Camelback Lot 13 and Hotel - Plan fees paid. Plan was accepted at the 07/25/2016 mtg. the plan was tabled at the 08/22/2016 mtg. M. Guidry made a motion, seconded by S. Gilliland, to table the Camelback Lot 13 and Hotel LDP. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sanofi Pasteur Tier One Parking Deck - Plan fees paid. The Plan was accepted at the 07/11/2016 Mtg. The plan was tabled at the 08/22/2016 mtg. B. Demarest made a motion, seconded by D. Purcell, to table the Sanofi Pasteur Tier One Parking Deck. S. Gilliland abstained. All in favor. Motion carried.

PRESENTAION OF VARIANCE, SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS, CONDITIONAL USE, ET AL, APPLICATIONS: None

Summit Health Systems Conditional Use Application - The Hearing scheduled for 09/29/2016 at 6:00 p.m.

Adams Outdoor Advertising and Anthony Covelto - The Planning Commission had recommended the Special Exception be denied at their 07/11/2016 regular mtg. No action taken.

Adams Outdoor Advertising - 198 Stadden Road - No action taken.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

SALDO revisions: J. Tresslar, Twp. Engineer, reviewed the revisions.

1) 611.4.4 - Fire Protection - reword or remove - "and an adequate supply of water or fire protection."

2) 621. Highway Capital Improvement Fund - Removed

3) 622.C.4 Traffic Impact Study - removed last sentence.

Judi Coover, Commissioner, noted the draft SALDO will go to the Commissioners to set the hearing dates.

Ellen Gndt, Commissioner, requested the redline version of the draft to compare to the 'clean' version.

Discussion followed on steps to SALDO approval.

B. Demarest made a motion, seconded by S. Gilliland, to recommend approval of the SALDO revisions. All in favor. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: None

DISCUSSIONS:

M. Guidry questioned the status of the Sign Ordinance. Discussion followed on the remaining items to complete the sign ordinance.

S. Gilliland questioned the status of the Rt. 715 realignment. J. Coover noted she received an email stating it will go through the bank property. R. Swink questioned why the PC has not been informed of the PennDOT improvement plans. Discussion followed.

C. Vogt, Twp. Manager, note the receipt of the Rt. 611 improvement plans from Scotrun to Swiftwater.

Discussion on BCRA waterline and roadway construction projects.

ADJOURNMENT: B. DeYoung made a motion, seconded by M. Guidry, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted
Pamela Finkbeiner
Township Secretary