

MINUTES
WEST MANHEIM TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2020
6:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the West Manheim Township Planning Commission was called to order at 6:02 p.m., by Chairman Jim Myers, followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called, and the following Commission Members were present: Chairman Jim Myers, Jeffrey Brown, Andy Hoffman, Darrell Raubenstine, Jay Weisensale. Interim Township Manager Mike Bowersox, Township Engineer Cory McCoy, and Miriam Clapper, recording secretary were not present. Jennifer Thornton was acting recording secretary.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting Minutes, July 16, 2020

Andy Hoffman made a motion to approve the Minutes from the Planning Commission meeting on Thursday, June 18, 2020, with the suggested addition of *Ed VanArsdale and Cory need to look at the final grading for Homestead to determine how Belmont Ridge Phase V and Homestead Acres can be tied together where Homestead Acres has an existing cul-de-sac/parking area.*, seconded by Jeff Brown. **Motion carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE

Chairman Jim Myers indicated they did not receive any correspondences.

VISITORS

Chairman Jim Myers asked if there were any visitors present that wished to address the Commission and received no reply.

PUBLIC COMMENT – ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA

Chairman Myers asked if anyone present wanted to discuss an item not listed on the Agenda and received no reply.

EMERGENCY SERVICES GROUP REPORT

EMC Jason Baldwin was not present.

REPORT FROM ZONING OFFICER

No report was given at this time.

ZONING CASES - None

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT PLANS

A. Extension request for Belmont Ridge Phase V – 203 Lot – Preliminary Plan (review time expires 09/04/2020) through December 16, 2020.

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Andy Hoffman made a motion to acknowledge the receipt of the extension request for Belmont Ridge Phase V – 203 Lot – Preliminary Plan through December 16, 2020 from the developer’s engineer and table the plan, seconded by Jay Weisensale. **Motion carried.**

SKETCH PLANS - None

SIGNING OF APPROVED PLANS -None

OTHER BUSINESS

Darrell Raubenstine brought up if the Planning members should send a letter to the Supervisors letting them know how they feel as a board when legal counsel for a developer attends a meeting without prior knowledge. The Planning members feel that they should have legal counsel to represent them as a board.

Jay Weisensale felt that a developer should be required to inform the township that they are bringing legal counsel to a planning meeting so the township could supply the Planning members with legal counsel.

Jeff Brown expressed that if a developer brought their legal counsel to a meeting without prior knowledge, the Planning members would table the plan for discussion until the Township provide them with legal counsel. Mr. Brown felt that this action would get a developer’s attention and would let the Township know that they would be bringing legal counsel to a planning meeting so that the Township would supply legal counsel for them.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Jim Myers asked if there were any visitors present that wished to address the Commission and received no reply.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting for the Planning Commission is Thursday, September 17, 2020 at 6 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Daryl Raubenstine made a motion to adjourn at 6:18 p.m., seconded by Jay Weisensale. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Thornton, Acting Recording Secretary

Chairman