

**ECONOMY BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF OCTOBER REGULAR MEETING**

DATE: October 3, 2016

Present: J. Blumling, D. Carlson, M. Kowalski, D. Lang, R. Loedding, J. Tepsic (Planning Commission Consultant), A. Mutschler, B. Meegan, C. Pcsolyar.

Absent: R. Kowal.

Others Present: Ray Tomaszewski (Economy Borough Assistant Code Enforcement Officer), James Hoffman (424 Golden Grove Road, Baden, PA 15005).

After review, the minutes from the September 12, 2016 meeting were approved on a motion by Dick Loedding. Seconded by Don Lang.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Borough of Economy Draft Bee Keeping Ordinance: Planning Commission consultant Lincheck had previously forwarded the draft ordinance to the group. There was discussion. Mr. Hoffman, involved in Beaver County Beekeepers and a bee keeper who is currently managing 30 hives on his property and in a few locations in the borough (Amsler Road, Tevebaugh Road) and in Evans City, spoke on the draft ordinance. He offered counsel on several errors that should be addressed.

After further discussion, it was agreed that the draft ordinance would be rewritten with expert guidance from bee keepers. Mr. Hoffman gave his specific comments to Consultant Tepsic for use in making revisions reflective of practicing bee keepers' input while being mindful of public health and safety concerns.

2. Chicken Ordinance: There was discussion on draft Domestic Chickens ordinance.

Action taken: Motion by Dick Loedding to table the proposed ordinance until additional information regarding current level of borough activity. Seconded by Don Lang. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Application for Subdivision by: Elizabeth Schweikert Subdivision (Elizabeth Schweikert, 322 Wallrose Heights Road, Baden, PA 15005) (10-01-16): The plan proposes to subdivide tax parcel 60-175-116.1 (Parcel A) and consolidate it with tax parcel 60-175-116.8 (Parcel C) into one property on Schweikert Drive and Wallrose Heights Road. The application would create a new Parcel C (2.016 acres). The properties are zoned R-2 Suburban Residential District.

Planning Commission Consultant Lincheck reviewed the application for conformance with the Subdivision and Land Development and Zoning Ordinances. The procedures for this type of subdivision are governed by Chapter 163, Article VII. As such, the applicant is required to submit the plans and data under Section 163-15. The requirements of Chapter 180 also apply, in particular, the standards found in Article VI: R-2 Suburban Residential District. Based on the review there are no comments to be addressed.

Action taken: Motion by Don Lang to recommend approval of the Elizabeth Schweikert Subdivision to Economy Borough Council. Seconded by Chad Pcsolyar. Motion approved.

2. Application for subdivision by: Phyllis Wright Plan of Lots (Phyllis Wright, 3rd Avenue, Freedom, Pa 15042). (10-02-16). Applicant seeks to subdivide tax parcel 60-110-107 (Lot 2) and consolidate it with tax parcel 60-110-109 (Lot 1) into one property on 3rd Avenue. After the lot revisions, Lot 2 will be 0.46 acres and Lot 1 0.58 acres. The properties are zoned R-2 Suburban Residential District.

Planning Commission Consultant Lincheck has reviewed this application for conformance with the Subdivision and Land Development and Zoning Ordinances. The procedures for this type of subdivision are governed by Chapter 163, Article VII. As such, the applicant is required to submit the plans and data under Section 163-15. The requirements of

Chapter 180 also apply, in particular, the standards found in Article VI: R-2 Suburban Residential District. Based on the review there are no comments to be addressed:

Action taken:

Motion by Bob Meegan to recommend the approval of the Phyllis Wright Plan of Lots to Economy Borough Council. Seconded by Myron Kowalski. Motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Don Lang

1. Small Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS): ~~Planning Commission Consultant Topic~~ provided a copy to the group of an article "Piloting a Small Unmanned Aircraft". After discussion it was agreed that no action is needed at this time on this issue. We will continue to monitor activity from the FAA. As before, action may be taken at a future time.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. House Numbers: Myron Kowalski reported that no new house numbers were assigned. There is a pending request to issue a number to the Duquesne Light-owned power station located behind Northern Lights Shopping Center. After discussion, it was agreed to use the existing 560 3rd Avenue street address. Myron Kowalski will report the assigned address to the Beaver County 911 Center and to the appropriate Duquesne Light personnel.

Motion to adjourn by Don Lang, seconded by Chad Pcsolyar. Motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Signed _____
Chairman

Signed _____
Secretary