

# Butler Township Planning Commission

November 7, 2017

The Butler Township Planning Commission held their regular Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Butler Township Municipal Building, 290 South Duffy Road, Butler, PA 16001.

In attendance were Planning Commission members: Chair Ron Henshaw, Vice-Chair Sam Zurzolo, Secretary Ernie Oesterling, Brenda Collins, Fred Maihle, Jr. and Fred Vero. Kim Christie was absent.

Also in attendance were Solicitor Rebecca Black and Zoning Officer Jesse Hines.

Chair Henshaw called the meeting to order followed by a moment of silence and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

## Approval of September 5, 2017 Minutes

Motion by Collins to approve the minutes of September 5, 2017, seconded by Vice-Chair Zurzolo and carried unanimously.

## Public Comment

No comments due to lack of public attendance.

## Establish 2018 Meeting Dates

Motion by Secretary Oesterling to set January 2, February 6, March 6, April 3, May 1, June 5, July 10, August 7, September 4, October 2, November 6, and December 4 as the Planning Commission meeting dates for 2018, seconded by Maihle, Jr. and carried unanimously.

## Zoning Ordinance Amendments

Zoning Officer Hines gave an overview of the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments. Some of the topics he discussed were farmettes, private stables, chickens, domestic animals, accessory garages, billboards, fence height, accessory structure setbacks, home occupations, wall signs, traditional neighborhood developments, transient person, legally nonconforming, portable storage units, accessory telecommunication antennae, stealth technology, and housing.

Mr. Rick Grossman, Butler Township Planning Consultant, gave an overview of the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments. Some of the topics he discussed were antennas, communications towers, stealth technology, and cluster developments.

Solicitor Black suggested adding an antennae definition. She was very confused with the way the section was worded and thinks it needs clarification.

It was noted that Maihle, Jr. was opposed to allowing cluster developments in the R-1 Zoned Districts and he would like the height of accessory buildings to be higher.

Motion by Vero to recommend tabling the zoning ordinance amendments, seconded by Collins and carried unanimously.

Questions from the Media

There were no questions from the media.

Adjournment

Motion by Secretary Oesterling to adjourn at 7:35 p.m., seconded by Collins and carried unanimously.

  
Ernie Oesterling, Secretary