

Maidencreek Township Planning Commission

April 3, 2019

Present: James Schoellkopf Jr., Matt Davenport, Jason Bailey, Randy Hauk, David Brown, Christopher Garrell – Orlando Law Office, Ed Kopicki – Systems Design Engineering, and Katelyn Gruber – recording secretary

Guests: Diane Hollenbach, Heidi Fiedler, Donna Ott, Christine Brown, Riley Wentz

James Schoellkopf Jr. called the April 3, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Maidencreek Township Planning Commission to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Maidencreek Township Municipal Building and asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by David Brown to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Matt Davenport and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Matt Davenport to approve the prior meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by David Brown and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Communications – 115 Grove Road Final Subdivision Plans were submitted the day of the Planning Commission meeting. Matt Davenport made a motion to accept the 115 Grove Road Final Subdivision Plans to recommend for review of the Board of Supervisors. The motion was seconded by Jason Bailey and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

Public Comments and Questions – Donna Ott, Oley Township, presented to the Board; example pictures of 5G devices in the Philadelphia area. Donna Ott expressed her concerns with the level of EMF's that will be transmitted through the air by the 5G devices.

Business:

Richmond Township Chicken Farm Plan – The Board looked over the plan Richmond Township provided. The proposed two chicken barns will be erected on the property that abuts to the rear of Eli Zimmerman's property at 1046 Pleasant Hill Road. The Board questioned if they have a manure management plan. Jason Bailey commented that everything is covered under the NPDES permit issued through the Berks County Conservation District.

It is estimated that there would be about 60,000 chickens combined between the two egg laying houses.

5G and Small Cell Facilities – Ed Kopicki presented the Planning Commission with a Proposed Code Amendment to Section 220-81 Wireless Communication Facilities addressing 5G and Small Cell Facilities. The Commission discussed in length and asked Mr. Kopicki to address the following concerns/changes:

- Mounting height – Dave Brown asked that the Board specifies a minimum of 8ft.
- Set backs
- Device covers – Dave Brown asked Mr. Kopicki to research covers that you can place over the devices to reduce EMF exposure.
- Fees – permit fees are adopted through the Fee Schedule via Resolution every year; the fees would have to be taken out of the amendment and added to the fee schedule.

A motion was made by Matt Davenport to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Randy Hauk and hearing no questions on the motion, it passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katelyn Gruber

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Recording Secretary