

# JACKSON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

**March 19, 2019**

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

The March meeting of the Jackson Township Planning Commission was held on March 19, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building. Commission members present were: Robert Callahan, Colby Snyder, Diane King and Arden Kile. Staff members present were: Township Manager William J. Conn, Zoning Officer Ray Dietrich and Township Engineer Jeff Shue. There were no persons in the audience

The Commission members welcomed Ms. Diane King as a newly appointed member of the Planning Commission.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of the November 20, 2018 meeting were approved as presented. There were no meetings necessary in December, January or February.

## **ZONING HEARING APPLICATION:**

The Commission reviewed the request for one (1) Special Exception and three (3) Variances pursuant to the development of a Community Park along the east side of Route 116 at 1657 RT 116, Spring Grove, PA 17362. Action requested by Jackson Township.

After review, the Commission recommended approval of the following:

1. Granting a Special Exception to develop a Community Park Use within a Village Zone per Section 133-14.C.15 of the Zoning Ordinance.
2. Granting a Variance for developing a Community Park Use within a Commercial Zone per Section 133-15.
3. Granting a Variance from specific requirements for Buffer Screening adjacent to a Village Zone per Section 133-32.A&B.
4. Granting a Variance allowing a walking trail to be located within the defined set back requirements.

## **SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW:**

The Commission reviewed the Planning Module related to the Act 537 Plan for the proposed Poplar Partners townhouse development located along the east side of Route 116 between Myers Road and Pine Springs Boulevard. As a result, the Commission authorized the Secretary to complete and sign the Module.

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

1. The Commission reviewed the recent re-zoning of a portion of the Norris Farm on Route 116 and a portion of the Briarwood West Golf Course between the existing industrial park and Bowman Road. As a result, the Commission requests that the Joint Comprehensive Plan be revised to amend the Future Land Use Plan (Figure 6.2) to be consistent with the re-zoned areas. The revisions should include a new boundary re-defining the new areas of designated growth.
2. The Commission, by unanimous vote, elected to retain the Officers from 2018 through 2019. Members also concurred with retaining the third Tuesday of each month as their scheduled meeting date.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.  
Respectfully Submitted,  
Arden S. Kile, Secretary