East Fallowfield Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes September 14, 2020

The September 14, 2020 meeting of the East Fallowfield Township Planning Commission (PC) was held via virtual on BlueJeans.

Commission Members Present:

Mike Domboski, Chairman Al Wright, Member

Joe Perzan, Member

Jennifer Wright, Member

Commission Members Absent:

Susan Monaghan, Vice Chairman

Edmund Davis, Member

Dennis Crook, Member

John Nielsen, Alternate Member and Member of the Board of Supervisors

Staff/Elected Officials/Professionals Present:

Others in Attendance:

- I. <u>Call to Order</u>: The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by Mike Domboski.
- II. <u>Agenda Items</u>: No change.

III. Approval of August 3, 2020 Meeting minutes:

<u>MOTION:</u> Mike Domboski made a motion to approve the August 3, 2020 meeting minutes as edited. Jennifer Wright seconded.

<u>VOTE:</u> 4-0.

August 17, 2020 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes:

<u>MOTION</u>: Mike Domboski made a motion to approve the August 17, 2020 meeting minutes as presented. Jennifer Wright seconded.

<u>VOTE:</u> 4-0.

- IV. <u>Status of Historic Preservation Ordinance</u>: Mike Domboski stated that Sue Monaghan reported the Historic Committee is working on the ordinance for proper the way of completing with other sources as well for guidance. Mike Domboski stated that he will keep this on the agenda for status reasons.
- V. <u>Status of Scenic Roads Ordinance</u>: Joe Perzan stated that he is waiting to hear from Jaclyn Koons-Felion, Department of Transportation regarding the Pennsylvania Byways Program. Township Manager Scott Swichar sent the Pennsylvania Byways Application from Department of Transportation to Joe Perzan and he is unsure if it was done through Department of Transportation already. Mike Domboski is forwarding email from Township Manager, Scott Swichar and attaching the PA Byways Application for the Department of Transportation.
- VI. Status of Coop (Domestic Chickens) Ordinance: Al Wright stated that he will prepare a rough draft of the ordinance with examples of other townships regarding their standards on residential chicken coops. Mike Domboski stated that he will give the draft to Township Solicitor Mike Crotty for his review when finished for any legalities. Joe Perzan asked if the Ordinance even needs to be changed due to one person having an issue. Mike Domboski stated that this matter has been something more people have been taking on and thinks it will be something worthwhile for residents and landowner rights. Jennifer Wright stated that the ordinance in place now needs to be revised due to the Township and its agriculture in the southern tier of the township. Joe Perzan stated that some parts of the township it is not appropriate, and residents should be questioned regarding how they would feel about chicken coops in a residential setting. Mike Domboski stated that this would have to be advertised and approved by the Board of Supervisors. Al Wright stated that in his review for this topic, a Homeowners Association would have to submit a letter stating that having a chicken coop is appropriate for residence within their setting. Mike Domboski will ask Township Solicitor, Mike Crotty his opinion regarding this issue.
- VII. <u>Status of Newlinville Task Force</u>: Township Manager Scott Swichar stated that the next public meeting is on September 30, 2020 and provided Mike Domboski with a flyer for the meeting via email. Mike Domboski stated he will send the flyer to the Planning Commission. Township Manager Scott Swichar stated that the flyer was distributed to residents and businesses in the Newlinville area, hoping to get the community involved.
- VIII. <u>Status of Strategic Panning Steering Committee</u>: Township Manager Scott Swichar stated there are no updates.
 - IX. <u>Old Business</u>: None.
 - X. <u>New Business</u>: Al Wright stated that at the intersection at Old Wilmington Pike which comes into Strasburg Road, there is a residence across from Weaver Mulch, with high hedges in summer. As a safety measure, Township Manager, Scott Swichar asked that Al Wright send him an email with the address of the residence and he will have the hedges taken care of.

XI. <u>Adjournment</u>: There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:00 PM by Mike Domboski and seconded by Joe Perzan.

Motion passed unanimously. Next meeting is scheduled for October 5, 2020.