

BRIGHTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 7, 2022

Mr. Snider called the February 7, 2022 meeting of the Brighton Township Planning Commission to order at 7:31 P.M. The meeting was conducted at the Municipal Building, 1300 Brighton Road, Beaver, PA. No visitors were present.

PRESENT: William L. Snider, Chairman
Jeffrey S. Maze, Vice Chairman
Karen Green, Secretary
Mark Piccirilli
Matthew Stewart

STAFF: Bryan K. Dehart, Township Manager
Kathryn L. Johnston, Solicitor

ABSENT: Tim O'Brien
Kimberly Radler

Minutes of January 4, 2022 Reorganization and Regular Meeting: Mr. Piccirilli made a motion, seconded by Mr. Maze, vote unanimous, to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2022 Reorganization and Regular Meeting.

Zoning Code Amendment: Agricultural Uses – The Board of Supervisors has forwarded to the Beaver County Planning Commission the proposed ordinance to amend the Zoning Code regarding agricultural uses. A public hearing will be scheduled by the Board of Supervisors.

Comprehensive Plan Action Steps: The Board of Supervisors has adopted the 2021 Brighton Township Implementable Comprehensive Plan. The Commission began discussing what action steps they wish to take to implement recommendations of the plan. Several items were discussed regarding this topic. The Commission discussed connectivity between plans for both roads and greenways. The Commission wants to strengthen the requirements to require stub streets to adjacent lands or extend roadways all the way to the property line where it makes sense to do so, recognizing that the topography in the Township does not always make this feasible. Penn DOT Publication 731 covers this topic and has recommendations for a connectivity index. Providing greenways for trail connections, even when roadways may not make sense, was also reviewed. The Commission also discussed reducing the maximum slope of roads, currently 12% for local streets. Another item discussed was to require increased lot widths on streets with slopes greater than 10%.

The Commission will continue to review these topics in the coming months.

Additional Business: The Township received for review a copy of the joint comprehensive plan for New Brighton, Daugherty, Fallston and Pulaski.

Adjournment: Mr. Stewart made a motion, seconded by Ms. Green, vote unanimous, to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan K. Dehart
Township Manager