

**RICE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
RICE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
3000 CHUCH ROAD
MOUNTAIN TOP, PA 18707**

**MINUTES
June 27, 2018**

The duly advertised regular meeting of the Rice Township Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, June 27, 2018 at the Rice Township Municipal Building, 3000 Church Road, Mountaintop. Copies of the Agenda were available to the public. Vice-Chairman Tom Romanyshyn, called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. It was announced that the meeting was recorded for preparing the minutes. Interior cameras were also recording the video.

ROLL CALL:

- Richard Arnold - here**
- Ray Fedor - absent**
- Tom Romanyshyn - here**
- Bob Smith - here**
- Paul Ward - here**
- Bernard Wasiakowski(alternate) - absent**

Also in attendance are: Please see sign in sheet.

Motion by Rick Arnold, second by Tom Romanyshyn to accept the minutes of last meeting (June 23, 2018), as amended by Bob Smith to change the date as the next meeting date to July 27.

All in favor

MOTION CARRIED.

Old Business:

Update on Jennifer's Way. Michael Goodwin from Milnes Engineering noted that a number of items remained open. Township Engineer Andy Pasonick reviewed his comments on his review letter, noting the items that he found unresolved. In the course of that review, Secretary Beck agreed that several of the documents listed as open had been delivered at the last meeting. Had to get a new approval letter from MAJSA and DEP and final and technical review from the Conservation District. One "will serve" letter is still outstanding. The cul-de-sac was shortened to just under 600 feet to meet the requirement. Attorney McCormack suggested that a listing of covenants should not be needed as suggested in item 10. While the Planning Commission does not require sidewalks, considerable discussion was held concerning swales versus curbs. This included discussion about snow melt and that it was not considered in the storm water runoff plan. Arnold noted the issues associated with road deterioration, storm water control and road safety that curbs and inlets help remediate. Curbs also eliminate the issues associated with piping traversing under driveways. Goodwin explained that they had not yet received a letter from Wright Township Volunteer Fire Company, and that PennAmerican Water would not design the water system until the Township had

approved the plans. Discussion was also held concerning the designed hammer head proposed at the end of the Burma Road extension versus a cul-de-sac, and the ability for a school bus to turn around there. Discussion was also held concerning the proposed width of the Burma Road extension at 50 feet. There was also discussion concerning the comment regarding secondary access, and there is no practical solution to the comment.

After further discussion, it was decided to call a working session of the Board of Supervisors for 6:30 PM on Tuesday, July 3rd, to discuss the swale versus curb issue.

The next meeting of the Planning Commission is Wednesday, July 25 , 2018 at 7:00 p.m.


ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Romanyshyn, second by Ward, to adjourn at 8:30P.M.

All in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted:


Jeffrey D. Beck
Secretary