MINUTES ELIZABETHTOWN BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION

January 12, 2021

The Elizabethtown Borough Planning Commission held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. To best comply with Governor Wolf's COVID-19 orders (but still conduct regular business) this Planning Commission meeting was held remotely using Zoom. The Commissioners present were Dr. Kyle Kopko, Jenni Woodworth, Everald McDonald, and Tyler Hoover. Christine R. Seitz was absent. Borough Manager Rebecca Denlinger, Public Works Director Jeff Kinsey and Jennifer Prunoske with Hanover Engineering were also present. Planning and Zoning Director Pamela Roberts was absent.

Public Comment:

There was no comment from the public to be heard.

Election of Officers:

Moved by Woodworth, seconded by McDonald to elect Kopko Chair of the Planning Commission for 2021. Motion passed 3-0 with Kopko abstaining. Moved by Kopko, seconded by McDonald to elect Woodworth Vice-Chair of the Planning Commission for 2021. Motion passed 3-0 with Woodworth abstaining.

Meeting Minutes:

The minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held on December 8, 2020 were unanimously approved.

Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan:

Brian Cooley, DC Gohn, provided a review of the revisions that were made to the preliminary/final land development plan since the previous meeting and in response to the review letter received from Hanover Engineering. Cooley went on to detail how the review comment on the Stormwater Section 306.2 riparian corridor easement waiver was addressed by increasing the buffer easement on the opposite side of the intermittent watercourse. For Stormwater Section 301.20 roof drains waiver comments Cooley noted that a water quality feature would be added to a parking island. Cooley indicated that no other plan changes were made. He added that the conditions outlined in the January 6, 2021 letter from Hanover Engineering were acceptable to the applicant.

Kopko asked if there were any concerns with addressing the Lancaster County Conservation District (LCCD) review letter. Cooley responded that the comments from the LCCD were addressed and a resubmission was sent the previous week. The comments from the LCCD were mostly clarification on stormwater design. McDonald asked when the response was provided to the LCCD to which Cooley responded on Friday January 8, 2021. McDonald asked Prunoske if there was a need to discuss the resubmission with the LCCD. Prunoske stated that she did not see a need to discuss the resubmission.

Brad Stewart, Lancaster County Planning Commission, asked Cooley if there was any chance that a connection point with the church and college campus would be added. Cooley responded that sidewalk would be added along Cherry Street to provide this connection with the church and the college.

Action:

Moved by Woodworth, seconded by Kopko to accept the waivers requested for the Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan. Moved by Woodworth, seconded by Kopko to recommend approval of the Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan under the condition that all comments in Hanover Engineering's January 6, 2021 review letter and all comments in the Lancaster County Conservation District's December 14, 2020 and any subsequent review letters be addressed. Motion passed unanimously.

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Other Business:

Brad Stewart, Lancaster County Planning Commission, updated Planning Commission members on two regional workshops that are being planned to continue implementation of Places 2040. The workshops would focus on rural businesses and investing in development and redevelopment.

No other business was discussed.

Adjournment:

The Planning Commission unanimously approved adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Kinsey Public Works Director