

MINUTES
COLUMBIA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION
May 21, 2012
7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Don Haines, Chairman
Jay Lewis, Vice Chairman
Tiffani Lynn, Secretary
Mary Virginia Abendschein
Justin Evans
Terry Sears

MAYOR/COUNCIL IN ATTENDANCE:

Mary Wickenheiser, Council Vice-President

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Norman B. Meiskey, III, Borough Manager, Secretary/Treasurer and Assistant Zoning Officer
Ben Craddock, C.S. Davidson, Borough Engineer
Deb LaClair, Clerk

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jeff Spangler – James R. Holley and Assoc. – Susquehanna Valley Nursing and Rehab Center
Project
Theo Robinson, Lancaster County Planning Commission
Patrick McGinness
Frank Doutrich

CALL TO ORDER:

Don Haines, Chairman, called this regular meeting of the Columbia Borough Planning Commission to order on Monday, May 21, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

There was a moment of silence and the pledge to the flag.

Jeff Helm was absent from this meeting.

MINUTES:

Don Haines stated the April 16, 2012, minutes would be approved as submitted.

ACTION ITEMS:

There were no action items.

ENGINEER'S REVIEW(S):

745 Old Chickies Hill Road – Susquehanna Valley Nursing and Rehab Center – Jeff Spangler, Engineer for the project, present plans to the Commission with minor changes since the last submittal. He went over the review letter from Ben Craddock dated May 16, 2012. Ben stated he had no further comments.

Mary Virginia Abendschein motioned that the Columbia Borough Planning Commission conditionally approve the sub-division plan submitted for the Susquehanna Valley Nursing and Rehab Center, 745 Old Chickies Hill Road, contingent upon the applicant satisfying the outstanding comments on the Borough engineer letter dated May 16, 2012, and Tiffani Lynn seconded. All favored this motion.

Jeff Spangler reviewed the comment letter from Ben Craddock dated May 16, 2012. Again Ben stated he had no additional comments.

Justin Evans motioned that the Columbia Borough Planning Commission conditionally approve the land development plan submitted for the Susquehanna Valley Nursing and Rehab Center, 745 Old Chickies Hill Road, contingent upon the applicant satisfying the outstanding comments on the Borough engineer letter dated May 16, 2012, and that all easement agreements discussed should be reviewed by the Borough engineer and Borough solicitor before execution and recording the plan and Tiffani Lynn seconded. All favored this motion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:

There were no comments or questions.

ZONING HEARING:

There was no zoning.

OLD BUSINESS:

Don Haines stated he received a copy of the proposed airport zoning ordinance. Norm Meiskey, Borough Manager, gave background information on the airport zoning ordinance. Mary Virginia asked if this ordinance would regulate existing structures and trees. Norm stated all that currently exists would be “grandfathered” and not subject to review. He did explain briefly the procedure for a resident to obtain a zoning permit and the additional paperwork that would be required once this ordinance has passed. Norm added the Commission had 30 days to recommend changes to Borough Council. Borough Council would then hold a public hearing on June 11, 2012, with possible adoption of the ordinance that evening.

Mary Virginia Abendschein motioned to recommend to Columbia Borough Council that the airport ordinance zoning ordinance district overlay be adopted with the following changes: section of zoning ordinance is identified and attach hazard map and Tiffani Lynn seconded. All favored this motion.

Frank Doutrich asked about the 30 day period for this ordinance. Norm explained the 30 day review period.

Pat McGinness had a few questions about the ordinance. Norm answered those questions.

Norm Meiskey presented an update on all Borough projects.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mary Virginia Abendschein motioned and Tiffani Lynn seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. All favored this motion.

Respectfully submitted,



Tiffani Lynn
Secretary

