

CARBON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

April 21, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Carbon County Planning Commission (CCPC) was held on Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. in the Carbon County Emergency Services Building, Emergency Operations Center, 1264 Emergency Lane, Nesquehoning, PA.

The following Board Members were present: Fred Bresswein, Chairman; Frank Jacobs, Secretary; Bob Miller; and Dennis Demara. Also in attendance were: Ivan Meixell, Jr., Land Planner; and Kathy Reigel, Recording Secretary.

The following Board Members were absent: George Karas, Vice Chairman; Jesse Walck; Ginny Compton; Timm Berger; and Dwight Eisenhower. Also absent was David Bodnar, Planning & Development Director.

There being a quorum present Chairman Bresswein called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

MINUTES:

On motion of Frank Jacobs seconded by Bob Miller and unanimously passed, the Minutes of the March 17, 2020 regular monthly meeting were approved as mailed.

SUBDIVISION REVIEW:

The following plans were submitted for review. The official review comments were forwarded accordingly and are attached hereto and made a part hereof.

1) **Daniel G. & Joan K. Findle Lot Line Revision – Penn Forest Township – Final {3,690}**

RECOMMENDATION: **Conditional Plan Approval.**

MOTION: B. Miller.

SECOND: D. Demara.

VOTE: Unanimous.

2) **ALL Aquashicola Land Development Plan (Palmerton School District – Owner/ Allentown SMSA d/b/a/ Verizon Wireless – Developer) – Lower Towamensing Township – Preliminary/Final {3,691}**

RECOMMENDATION: **Conditional Plan Approval.**

MOTION: D. Demara.

SECOND: F. Jacobs.

VOTE: Unanimous.

TECHNCIAL DOCUMENTATION REVIEWS:

- 1) **PA DCED** (Department of Community & Economic Development) **GTRP** (Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program) **Support Letter** – Penn Forest Township Recreation Park – Playground Expansion, Penn Forest Township

Response prepared conveying support of the aforementioned grant application and indicating that the proposed project is consistent with the goals and objectives of the Carbon County Comprehensive & Greenway Plan “To expand existing playground areas of existing recreational parks located throughout Carbon County”.

- 2) **PA DEP** (Department of Environmental Protection) **Intergovernmental Review – March 2020:**
 - CY 2020 and CY2021 Water Quality Management Planning – \$1,272,000
 - 2020 State Energy Program Formula – \$2,078,180
- 3) **PA DEP Intergovernmental Review – April 2020:**
 - FY 2020 and FY 2021 Public Water System Supervision Program – \$8,573,000
 - FY 2020 and FY 2021 Ambient Air Sampling Project for Ethlene Oxide – \$705,033
 - FY 2020 and FY 2021 Abandon Well Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAP) Emissions Monitoring and Modeling – \$575,460

Responses for both Intergovernmental Reviews conveying support of the aforementioned grant applications for consideration & funding by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency were prepared.

After a brief review and discussion, the aforementioned responses are to be forwarded appropriately.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Correspondence received is on file in the Carbon County Office of Planning & Development, and is available for review from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. – Monday through Friday.

NEW BUSINESS:

At this point in the meeting Dennis Demara informed those present that House Bill 1564, which was passed by the PA House of Representatives and is now in front of the PA Senate, would allow for the use of telecommunications devices by members of a municipal governing body if there is a declaration of a disaster or emergency by the Governor. It also addresses the issue of statutory time limits for existing and pending approvals regarding applications, plats, plans or other submission for an approval. A brief discussion ensued.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, on motion of Frank Jacobs seconded by Bob Miller and unanimously passed, the meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

/S/ Frank Jacobs

Frank Jacobs, Secretary