

East Rockhill Township
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

September 10, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the East Rockhill Township Planning Commission was held at 7:00pm on September 10, 2020 at the Police Headquarter meeting room at the Pennridge Regional Police Headquarters, 200 Ridge Road, Sellersville, PA 18960.

Based on the Governor's COVID-19 Disaster Declaration, the Planning Commission meeting was held with special meeting protocol. Six feet social distancing and mask protocol, public attendance limited to six members of the public with pre-registration required. Attendance requests were permitted on a first come, first served basis. Anyone wishing to provide public comment could do so to the Manager prior to the meeting and would be read into the record.

Present: Anne Fenley, Chairperson
Joe Chellew, Vice-Chairperson
David Nyman, Secretary
Jim Weikel, Member
Richard Kelly, Member
Blake Eisenhart, Member
George Brodhead, Member
Steve Baluh, P.E., Township Engineer
Marianne Morano, Township Manager

Four members of the press and public were present

The meeting was called to order at 6:59pm by Mrs. Fenley.

Approval of August 13, 2020 Minutes: On motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Chellew, to approve the meeting minutes from the August 13, 2020 Planning Commission regular meeting. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

New Business:

There was none.

Old Business:

Draft Sign and Homestead Animals Ordinances:

The Bucks County Planning Commission was engaged by the Supervisors to prepare a sign ordinance amendment and a residential livestock ordinance. Michael Roedig and Christian Regosch from Bucks County Planning Commission were present.

1.10. Homestead Chickens: A revised draft, taking into consideration the August 13 review comments, was reviewed.

- Gary Schaffer, 811 W. Schwenkmill Road, stated opposition to having regulations to penned up chickens and believed they should be regulated like dogs and cats.
- Robert Napor, 2360 East Rock Road, stated that the revisions addressed his and his wife's

concerns as discussed at August's meeting.

I.11. Homestead Animals: A revised draft, taking into consideration the August 13 review comments, was reviewed.

On motion by Mr. Chellew, seconded by Mr. Eisenhart, to prepare a final draft as discussed of the Homestead Chicken and Homestead Animal draft Ordinances and send them to the Board of Supervisors with a recommendation for their adoption. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

27-2000 Sign Regulations: A revised draft, taking into consideration the August 13 review comments, was reviewed.

Consensus was to have height guidelines be consistent with the current sign ordinance requirement; bus shelter signs considered to be an off-premises sign and institutional uses will be clarified.

On motion by Mr. Chellew, seconded by Mr. Weikel to prepare a final draft as discussed of the recommend revised Draft Sign Ordinance and send it to the Board of Supervisors with a recommendation for it's adoption. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Public Comment:

There was none.

Adjournment: **On motion** by Mr. Nyman, and seconded by Mr. Chellew, the meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

David R. Nyman
Planning Commission Secretary

Recorded:

Marianne Morano
Township Manager