

## DAUPHIN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

### Minutes of the Meeting

January 9, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Dauphin County Planning Commission was held on Monday, December 5, 2022. The meeting was held in person in the Conference Room at the TCRPC offices at 112 Market Street, Harrisburg with additional member participation via Zoom telecommuting software. The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Mary Gaiski at 4:03 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Those members present were Mr. Jonathan Bowser, Mr. Nick DiFrancesco, Mr. Josh First, Ms. Mary Gaiski, Mr. Fred Lighty, Mr. John Kerschner, Mr. Gary Lenker, Ms. Taryn Morgan, Mr. Robert Spandler and Mr. Carter Wyckoff. Also present were Mr. Steve Deck and Mr. Jerry Duke of the staff. Guests included Mr. Mike Hess of HRG.

Ms. Gaiski welcomed Mr. DiFrancesco to the Commission as he was recently appointed to the Commission and this was his first meeting as a member. Mr. DiFrancesco thanked Ms. Gaiski for the welcome and said he looked forward to working with the Commission members and serving on the Commission.

### REORGANIZATION 2023

On a motion by Mr. Lighty, seconded by Mr. First, nominations for officers were made as follows: Ms. Gaiski, Chairwoman, Mr. Robert Spandler, Vice Chairman, Mr. First, Secretary, and Mr. Lenker, Treasurer. There were no other nominations made. A motion was made by Mr. Spandler, seconded by Mr. Lighty, to close the nominations. The Commission approved 10-0 to close the nominations. The Commission elected the slate of officers as nominated by a vote of 10 in favor, none opposed.

### MINUTES APPROVAL

On a motion made by Mr. Spandler, seconded by Mr. First, the Commission approved 10-0 the minutes from the December 5, 2022 meeting.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

On a motion by Mr. Lenker, seconded by Ms. Morgan, the Commission approved 10-0 to transfer to TCRPC the Subdivision and Sewage Module review fees in the amount of \$2,618.00 plus the monthly interest for December, 2022. The Treasurer's Report in the form of Financial Statements for the month ending December 31, 2022 were accepted for filing and audit.

### REPORTS

- a. Report of Officers: No reports.
- b. Communications & Staff Reports: Mr. Duke reported the following notifications were received: December 9, 2022 correspondence from Dauphin County

Agricultural Land Preservation Board acquired an agricultural easement for 51.13 acres of farmland (parcel 67-014-001) owned by James and Loretta Long, 1554 Back Road, Halifax, PA 17032.

c. Program Progress Report: December, 2022

Mr. Deck presented information regarding the update to the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the project pipeline process for the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) being completed by the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC) and Harrisburg Area Transportation Study (HATS). He also reported that staff will continue to work with consultants on the regional Active Transportation Plan. He also highlighted TCRPC role in a commuter study being conducted in coordination with Penn State. Once the preliminary phase is complete, an application is expected to be filed by Penn State as the lead agency for a \$1,000,000 grant to expand the results of the study. He also pointed out there is continued growth of the online viewership of the TCRPC content. Over the last month, the Twitter reach increased 11 percent, Facebook hits rose 17 percent, and the LinkedIn reach experienced a 29 percent increase. Mr. Deck believes the increase may be due to the greater inquiries our social media outlets have experienced about the state's planned improvements to broadband coverage.

Mr. Deck updated the Commission on the federally mandated county-wide stormwater planning Countywide Action Plan (CAP) effort and the initiation of the Water Resource Enhancement Program (WREP). He reported that fifteen municipalities have officially joined the WREP program. Mr. Lighty suggested recognition of this program should be provided online.

d. Committees: No current items.

## OLD BUSINESS

a. Subdivision/Land Development Matters

1. Approvals

- a. Millersburg Borough – Millersburg Area School District - Pre K-4 Additions & Renovations – Subdivision and Land Development –

Mr. Duke gave an update on the project. The School District, through their engineer (K&W), forwarded a letter dated January 5, 2023 granting an extension of the review of the application. The extension was a 90-day extension and would carry the review deadline date to April 7, 2023. They stated in the correspondence that they were hopeful the additional plan review would not take the full 90 days and a decision could be reached before the deadline.

Mr. Hess provided an update on their review comments that were presented in a letter to the School District on December 22, 2022. He highlighted the main items outstanding regarding the review was the analysis of the traffic study, review of the stormwater management revisions, and including additional sidewalks.

On a motion by Mr. Lenker, seconded by Mr. Kerschner, the Commission voted 10-0 to accept the 90-day time extension for plan review as identified in the School District's letter dated January 5, 2023.

## NEW BUSINESS

### a. Subdivision/Land Development Matters

#### 1. Review/Comments

On a motion by Mr. Spandler, seconded by Mr. Kerschner, the Commission voted 10-0 to ratify staff review of the ten (10) applications.

### b. Sewer Modules

1. Lower Paxton Township – Parkway Farms
2. Susquehanna Township – 4216 N. Progress Avenue

On a motion by Mr. Lenker, seconded by Ms. Morgan, the Commission voted 10-0 to ratify staff comments on the sewer modules.

### c. Intergovernmental Reviews

1. South Hanover Township (2) – Crestview Manor, Sand Beach and Pleasant View Sanitary Sewer Project
2. South Hanover Township – Swatara Creek Sewer Force Main Replacement Project
3. Lower Swatara Township – Lumber Street Interceptor Improvement Project
4. East Hanover Township – Grantville Storm Sewer Improvement Project
5. Berrysburg Borough – Sewer System Improvement
6. Royalton Borough – Water Street Sewer Basin Improvement
7. Multi- Municipal – Paxton Creek Greenway Project
8. Pillow Borough – Spring Line Replacement
9. Lower Paxton Township – Friendship YMCA TMDL Reduction Project
10. Lower Paxton Township – PC3E Sanitary Sewer and Storm Line Replacement/ Rehabilitation Project
11. Elizabethville Borough – Maple Avenue Sanitary Sewer I & I Removal Project
12. Susquehanna Township – Fox Run Trunk Line and Force Main Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project
13. Millersburg Borough – Seal Park Drainage Improvement Project
14. Lower Swatara Township – 2023 Sanitary Sewer System Improvement Project

On a motion by Mr. First, seconded by Mr. Spandler, the Commission voted 10-0, to vote on all applications in one action and to indicate plan consistency for each of the applications.

### ADDITIONAL ITEMS

There were no additional items.

### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for **4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 6, 2023.**

The meeting will be in the Dauphin County Veteran's Memorial Office Building's Second Floor for those wishing to meet in person. The meeting will be also available to the public and Commission members via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

*Josh First*

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Secretary