

**PENN TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
228 CLIFFORD ROAD, SELINGSGROVE
January 13, 2020**

Members present included: Derek Straub, Ken Herman Jr., Claudia Brabant, Marvin Weaver and Tim Moyer

Members Excused: William Moyer and Robert Grayston

Also Present: Manager Julie Hartley and Solicitor James Bathgate

The 1.13.2020 Planning Commission reorganization meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Solicitor James Bathgate.

On motion by Tim Moyer, and seconded by Claudia Brabant, and carried on a 5-0 vote, Derek Straub was appointed as Vice-Chairman.

The meeting was then called to order by Vice-Chairman Derek Straub at 6:36 pm.

On motion by Ken Herman Jr. and seconded by Claudia Brabant, and carried on a 5-0 vote, the minutes of the December 9, 2019 Planning Commission meeting were approved.

Persons Present to Be Heard – Bob Garrett presented draft maps for the Comprehensive Plan. He went through each map explaining the purpose. He informed the Planning Commission that the Steering Committee met five times and used a community survey to guide their decisions. The new comprehensive plan has a ten-year implementation life. Derek Straub suggested that more industrial space be found within the township. It was also suggested the Bob Garrett include the properties of people that wanted zoning changes be included on the new zoning map.

Letter from Board of Supervisors – The Planning Commission reviewed the letter from the Board of Supervisors that asked that the revisions to the Zoning Ordinance be completed by the end of 2020.

New Board Member – Vice Chairman Derek Straub welcomed Marvin Weaver to the Planning Commission.

Service Letter- Derek Straub noted that Dan Kuruna has served the township for thirty years and would like to send a thank you letter to him. **On motion by Derek Straub and seconded by Claudia Brabant, and carried on a 5-0 vote, a letter should be written expressing thanks to Dan Kuruna for his service.** A letter will be composed and available for signing at the next meeting on January 27.

Appointment Recommendation – On motion by Derek Straub and seconded by Ken Herman Jr., and carried on a 5-0 vote, the Planning Commission recommended the Board of Supervisors to re-appoint Dan Kuruna to the Planning Commission because of his longstanding service, his extensive knowledge of the Township and its ordinances and his willingness to continue service.

Explanation Request – On motion by Claudia Brabant and seconded by Ken Herman Jr., and carried on a 5-0 vote, the Planning Commission is requesting an explanation from the Board of Supervisors as to why Dan Kuruna was not re-appointed.

Old Business – No review of Zoning Ordinance

Adjournment – On motion by Derek Straub and seconded Tim Moyer, and carried on a 5-0 vote, the Planning Commission regular meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Hartley, Township Manager