Meeting of the Sadsbury Township Planning Commission

January 11, 2023

A meeting of the Sadsbury Township Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM in the Sadsbury Township Municipal Building.

Present: Mr. John Lymberis, Mr. Simon Jessey, Ms. Amanda Stewart, Mr. Jeremy Alcorn, Mr. Ron Zanoni, Mr. Clark Faggioli, Ms. Michelle Falcone and Supervisor Liaison Mr. John Moore.

Mr. Lymberis called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, followed by a moment of silence, a reflection on the passing of former Planning Commission chair Jane Heineman, and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Lymberis made a motion suspend the regular meeting and to appoint Mr. Moore as the temporary chair.

Reorganization

- Mr. Moore requested nominations for the position of chair. Mr. Jessey nominated Mr. Lymberis to be chair, seconded by Mr. Zanoni. The nomination passed unanimously.
- Mr. Jessey nominated Ms. Stewart for the position of vice chair, seconded by Mr. Alcorn. The nomination passed unanimously.
- Mr. Alcorn nominated Mr. Jessey for the position of secretary, seconded my Ms. Stewart. The nomination passed unanimously.
- Mr. Zanoni made a motion to adjourn the reorganization, seconded by Mr. Alcorn. The motion passed unanimously.

Regular Meeting

Mr. Zanoni made a motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting, seconded by Mr. Alcorn. The motion passed unanimously. The Commission looked over and discussed materials provided by the Township associated with a number of developments that are expected to appear before the Planning Commission in the future.

Jane Heineman

The Commission spoke about the sad passing of Jane Heineman. Members of the Commission will be making donations in her name. The Planning Commission would like Sadsbury Township to install a bench at the Township Municipal Building in her honor. Members of the Commission spoke about their personal experiences with Ms. Heineman.

Appointment Confirmation

The Commission acknowledged the reappointment of Mr. Jessey and Mr. Alcorn for 4-year terms to end on December 31, 2026.

Announcements and Correspondence

Mr. Jessey informed the Commission that Mr. Michael Gill, representing the Sadsbury Commons project, had presented to the Board of Supervisors an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance concerning signage in a Town Center Development, with its wording consistent with what had been discussed in the December meeting of the Planning Commission. Mr. Jessey informed the Commission that Mr. Michael Bennett would be resigning from the Zoning Hearing Board and from the SALDO Review Committee.

Public Comment

It was announced that the John Rock organization had been acquired by another company, and so there was a brief discussion about noise-related issues coming from the John Rock facility that included a member of the public who lived nearby.

Potential Improvement Projects

Members of the Planning Commission expressed hope that improvements to pedestrian and recreational infrastructure could be promoted by engaging developers, residents, and the Board of Supervisors. Members saw a need to provide some traffic calming measures, particularly on Lincoln Highway as it passes Octorara Road. The Commission will be considering ways to present such ideas. The Commission would like the Township to provide all members with a copy of the Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Lymberis made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM, seconded by Ms. Stewart. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Simon Jessey