

Brecknock Township  
Planning Commission Meeting  
January 23, 2024 at the Township Building

Meeting was called to order by temporary Chairman Dean Imhoff at 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission members present were Jim Regener, Chris Storms and Delbert Martin.

Technicon Enterprises Inc., II, Township Engineer, Michael L. Reinert, P.E was present.

Mr. Imhoff thanked Jerry Long and Gene Martini for their years of service on the Planning Commission and welcomed Delbert Martin as the newest member. Mr. Imhoff requested nominations for Chairman and Vice Chairman for the purposes of the annual reorganization of the Township Planning Commission. Motion to nominate Dean Imhoff as Chairman of the Planning Commission was made by Storms, seconded by Regener, all in favor (Imhoff abstained), motion approved. Motion to nominate Jim Regener as Vice Chairman of the Planning Commission was made by Imhoff, seconded by Storms, all in favor (Regener abstained), motion approved. It was agreed that Township Engineer Michael Reinert would continue to serve as secretary of the Planning Commission for 2024.

Chairman Imhoff asked for discussion on the minutes of the December 27, 2023 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes as presented by Storms, seconded by Imhoff, all in favor, motion approved.

Proposed Zoning Amendment – Short Term Rentals

Levi Hoover presented the Planning Commission with a proposed draft of ordinance requirements for a potential zoning amendment for short term rentals as discussed throughout 2023 and at the last meeting. The Planning Commission had several questions about the proposed draft and expressed concerns with enforcement, annual inspection, parking, and monitoring of number of people utilizing the short term rental. Explanations were provided by Mr. Hoover & Mr. Reinert based on their experiences. Mr. Reinert also suggested that if the Township wanted to include short term rentals in the HC and LI zoning districts, it should be considered by conditional use since single family detached dwellings are only permitted by conditional use in those districts. After further discussion, a motion was made by Storms, seconded by Imhoff to forward the proposed draft to the Supervisors for their consideration as a text amendment and allow the use by conditional use for the HC and LI district (permitted by right in the AG, AG2 & FR districts). All in favor, motion approved.

Adjournment

Motion by Storms, seconded by Imhoff, all in favor, motion approved at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael L. Reinert, P.E.  
Technicon Enterprises, Inc., II  
Township Engineer

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