

A meeting of the Limerick Township Planning Commission was called to order by Michele Chrisman, on Thursday, April 2, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. in the Public Meeting Room of the Limerick Township Municipal Building and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: Michele Chrisman, Sam Barilla, Lin Braddick, Ken McLaughlin, Tim O’Connell, and Greg Richardson. Michael McCloskey was absent.

Others Present: Joseph J. McGrory, Esq., Township Solicitor, Khaled R. Hassan, P.E. - Township Engineer; Daniel K. Kerr – Township Manager, and Martena Roshon – Director of Community Planning.

Consideration of Minutes: Motion was made by Mr. O’Connell, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin, to approve the 2/19/2009 meeting minutes as written.

Motion passed 6-0.

Subdivision and Land Development:

Pottstown Honda #06-04: Stuart Cohen, Esq. and Adam Brower, Edward B. Walsh & Associates, Inc., were in attendance on behalf of the applicants. Concerns of the Planning Commission from the previous meeting were addressed and presented in the latest amendment to the plans. Pennoni’s review letter dated March 24, 2009 was discussed. Mr. Brower stated that the two items in Mr. Hassan’s letter were addressed and the plans revised. Mr. Hassan stated that a revised review letter will go out dated 4/1/09 regarding the latest revision. Ms. Braddick asked about the lights being double head instead of triple. Mr. Hassan explained that corrective work cannot start until the plan is approved. Mr. Richardson questioned if trucks were permitted in the driveway. Mr. Cohen stated that no trucks were permitted and signage is in place to prohibit it.

Mr. Paul Chestnut questioned if the Township is entertaining the driveway from the original plan and also questioned the curbing. Mr. Hassan stated that it was already addressed and noted the curbing on the plan for the audience.

Motion was made by Mr. Barilla, seconded by Mr. Richardson, to recommend amended final plan approval for Pottstown Honda #06-04 contingent upon Pennoni letter’s dated March 24, 2009 and April 1, 2009.

Motion passed 6-0.

Old Business:

Comprehensive Plan: The Planning Commission had the following comments regarding the Comprehensive Plan:

Mr. Barilla had concerns about recommendations

Ms. Chrisman noted only using 3% of commercial retail space

Ms. Chrisman & Ms. Braddick trying to find rail stations

Mr. Kerr stated that the Board of Supervisors will consider the Comprehensive Plan for approval at the next scheduled meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding the open space at Bradford Woods and Faircrest Farms. Atty. McGrory stated he would check with the County.

Motion was made by Ms. Braddick, seconded by Mr. O'Connell to recommend the Limerick Township Comprehensive Plan for consideration by the Board of Supervisors.

Motion passed 6-0.

Public Comment:

Mr. Paul Chestnut, 355 Gerloff Road, asked why the 2000 county numbers were used in the Comprehensive Plan and not the local year 2008 Township numbers. A consultant from Simone Collins stated that he would work with Dan Kerr to ascertain local figures if are available.

Amended Motion was made by Ms. Braddick, seconded by Mr. O'Connell, for current information be used on page 23 of the Comprehensive Plan.

Motion passed 6-0.

New Business: None.

Zoning Hearing Board Advisories: None.

Planning Commission Comments: Ms. Braddick questioned the Montgomery County Planning Commission letter on sign ordinances. Mr. McGrory stated that he is in agreement with the County Planning Commission comments. Ms. Braddick stated that she is concerned with flashing bill board signs. Mr. McGrory stated that the sign ordinance, along with the comments from the Montgomery County Planning Commission and a billboard company, will be discussed at the Board of Supervisors meeting on April 23, 2009.

Public Comments: None.

Adjournment: Under mutual consent, with no further business, the Planning Commission adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Martena Roshon
Director of Community Planning