

POCONO TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 11, 2017
7:00 p.m.

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The Pocono Township Planning Commission Regular Meeting was held on September 11, 2017 at the Pocono Township Municipal Building, Tannersville, PA, and opened by Chairman Ron Swink at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Dennis Purcell, present; Robert DeYoung, present; Scott Gilliland, present; Ron Swink, present; Marie Guidry, present; Bob Demarest, present; and Jeremy Sawicki, present. Lisa Pereira, Solicitor; Jon Tresslar, Engineer; Michael Tripus, Zoning Officer; and Christine Brodsky were present.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COMMENTS: Chairman R. Swink noted the Planning Commission meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The Board will address five (5) comments per plan and noted each visitor has the right to comment at this time or before any action is taken on the matter.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

MANAGER'S REPORT: None

MINUTES: Marie Guidry made a motion, seconded by Dennis Purcell, to approve the minutes of 8/28/2017. All in favor. Motion Carried.

NEW PLANS AND SUBMISSIONS FOR PLANNING COMMISSION REVIEW:

Homes of the Poconos Final LDP (Former GMDC)

Bob Demarest made a motion, seconded by Dennis Purcell, to not accept Homes of the Poconos Final Land Development Plans for review. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Per the Township Engineer's letter dated 9/11/2017, the plans were not accepted for various reasons. Lisa Pereira will create a letter indicating the reasons for not accepting the Plans by the Board.

FINAL PLANS UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Desaki Hotel Revised Final Plan - Plans were administratively accepted at the 8/14/2017 P.C. Mtg. Deadline for P.C. consideration is 10/23/2017. Revised plans were received 9/11/2017.

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Dennis Purcell made a motion, seconded by Marie Guidry, to table the Desaki Hotel Revised Final Plan. All in favor. Motion Carried.

PRELIMINARY PLANS UNDER CONSIDERATION:

2. Sheldon Kopelson, Commercial Development (Lot 3) - Plans were accepted at the 8/13/2013 P.C. Mtg. The configuration of the minor subdivision is dependent on the Rt. 715 realignment. Tabled at the 8/28/2017 P.C. Mtg. A resubmission has not occurred. Deadline for P.C. consideration extended to 6/11/2018.

Scott Gilliland made a motion, seconded by Bob Demarest, to table Sheldon Kopelson, Commercial Development (Lot 3). All in favor. Motion Carried.

3. Spa Castle Land Development - Land Development on Birchwood Road. The plans were administratively accepted at the 12/14/2015 P.C. Mtg. Tabled at the 8/28/2017 P.C. Mtg. Deadline for P.C. consideration is 10/9/2017.

Bob Demarest made a motion, seconded by Jeremy Sawicki, to table Spa Castle Land Development. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Communication has not occurred and Lisa Pereira will reach out to Attorney Ralph Matergia to see where they stand.

4. Day Star Holiness Bible Church - Land Development on Learn Road. The plans were administratively accepted at the 2/13/2017 P.C. Mtg. Review No. 1 distributed 3/10/2017. Tabled at the 8/28/2017 P.C. Mtg. Deadline for P.C. consideration extended to 11/27/2017.

Bob Demarest made a motion, seconded by Jeremy Sawicki, to table Day Star Holiness Bible Church. All in favor. Motion Carried.

5. Pocono Hospitality Land Development Plan - The plans were administratively accepted at the 5/8/2017 P.C. Mtg. Review

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No. 1 was distributed 6/23/2017. Tabled at the 8/28/2017 P.C. Mtg. Deadline for P.C. consideration is 9/25/2017.

Marie Guidry made a motion, seconded by Scott Gilliland, to table the Pocono Hospitality Land Development Plan. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Discussion followed on storm water drainage and the legality to occupy paper road for public and private usage.

6. Belanger Minor Subdivision - The plans were administratively accepted at the 6/12/2017 P.C. Mtg. Review No. 1 was distributed 6/7/2017. Tabled at the 8/28/2017 P.C. Mtg. Deadline for P.C. consideration extended to 1/8/2018.

Bob Demarest made a motion, seconded by Dennis Purcell, to table the Belanger Minor Subdivision plans. All in favor. Motion Carried.

7. Running Lane Land Development Plan and Minor Subdivision/Lot Combination Plan - The plans were administratively accepted at the 8/14/2017 P.C. Mtg. Plans were tabled at the 8/28/2017 P.C. Mtg. Deadline for P.C. consideration is 10/23/2017.

Marie Guidry made a motion, seconded by Bob Demarest, to table the Running Lane Land Development Plan and Minor Subdivision/Lot Combination Plan. All in favor. Motion Carried.

SKETCH PLANS: None

PRESENTATION OF VARIANCE, SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS, CONDITIONAL USE, ET AL, APPLICATIONS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

COMMENTS BY AUDIENCE: None

ADJOURNMENT:

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Jeremy Sawicki made a motion, seconded by Dennis Purcell, to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m. until 9/25/2017 at 7:00 p.m. All in favor. Motion Carried.