NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
Lehigh Carbon Community College, 4525 Education Park Drive, Schnecksville, PA 18078
Lisa Jane Scheller Community Services Center Building 7

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 22, 2024

Meeting brought to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and a moment of silence at 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday October 22, 2024 by Vice Chairman Robert Korp

Attendance:

Supervisor Al Geosits	Vice Chairman Robert Korp
Township Manager Randy Cope	Secretary Richard Semmel
Township Director of Operations Jeff Mouer	John Barto
Township Engineer Steve Gitch	Jeff Johnson
Township Solicitor Tom Dinkelacker	Richard Fuller
Township Planning Administrator Jane Kelly	Kathy Crawford
	Sean Ziller

Minutes of the September 24, 2024 meeting were approved. Motion made by Sean Ziller, seconded by Jeff Johnson, all others agreed.

1. **Rising Sun Subdivision Consideration of sewer planning module**
   - **Township Director of Operations Jeff Mouer** explained the withdrawal of the curve tangent waiver request from the agenda. He also stated the Rising Sun developers would possibly be returning to the Planning Commission in December to be reviewed. The only item the Planning Commission needs to review tonight is the Rising Sun Sewage Planning. This item has a 60 day timeline to be reviewed and submitted DEP for their review.
   - **Planning Commission member John Barto** questioned why the Township staff isn't reviewing this item and instead of the Planning Commission. Jeff Mouer & Steve Gitch explained staff and consultants drafted the answers for the Planning Commission's review and concurrence.
   - **Planning Commission member Sean Ziller** questioned if the answers are specific enough to be sent to DEP? **Township Engineer Steve Gitch** stated the planning module will go back to the applicant, and the Applicant will review the questions the Township answered or did not answer before sending the module to DEP.
   - **Fred Kleinhenz, Laurys Station**, questioned if there will be a separate meeting for the sewage plant? Bob Korp answered that would be part of the Land Development review.

A motion was made by Planning Commission member John Barto to forward the Sewage Planning Module to the Board of Supervisors as is, Planning Commission Secretary Richard Semmel seconded the motion, vote was taken, all agreed, motion carried.

2. **Lowhill Township Draft Ordinance & Official Map Review**

3. **Heidelberg Township Draft Ordinance & Official Map Review**

   - North Whitehall Township Director of Operations Jeff Mouer reviewed the submitted documents from both Lowhill and Heidelberg Townships.
   - After a brief discussion, both documents were viewed as having no impact on North Whitehall Township.

A motion was made by Planning Commission Vice Chairman Robert Korp to provide NO comment on the proposed Draft Map of Lowhill Township, Lehigh County, Planning Commission Member Jeff Johnson seconded the motion vote was taken, all agreed, motion carried.

A motion was made by Planning Commission Member Jeff Johnson to provide NO comment on the proposed Draft Map of Heidelberg Township, Lehigh County, Planning Commission Member Sean Ziller seconded the motion, vote was taken, all agreed, motion carried.

4. **Review 2025 Planning Commission meeting dates**

Planning Commission members discussed the options for the December 2025 Planning Commission meeting and decided on Tuesday December 16, 2025.

Planning Commission Vice Chairman Robert Korp adjourned the meeting at 7:20pm.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:20pm
Jane K. Kelly
Planning/Recording Secretary
North Whitehall Township