

Banks Township Planning Commission

Regular Meeting and Public Hearing

Tuesday, July 2, 2024

6:00 p.m.

1. Meeting was called to order by R. Diebold at 6:00 p.m.
 - a. Present – F. Hersha, J. Waterman, A. Hoeksema, P. Howes, R. Diebold
2. MMS J. Waterman, A. Hoeksema to enter the Public Hearing on the proposed Ordinance re: Transitory Extraction Planned Unit Development and Soil Removal. Motion carried. Public Hearing opened at 6:01 p.m.
 - a. Public Comment – none
 - b. Receipt of written testimony – none received
 - c. MMS P. Howes, J. Waterman to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried. Public Hearing closed at 6:02 p.m.
3. Guests and Visitors – K. Busman, Zoning Administrator, C. Busman, Recording Secretary. Alex Busman – a Township property owner
4. MMS J. Waterman, F. Hersha to approve the June 4, 2024 minutes as written. Motion carried.
5. No announcements or correspondence
6. No Public Comment
7. Standing Reports:
 - a. Zoning Board of Appeals – Did not meet since last PC meeting.
 - b. Zoning Administrator – reported there were 4 permits issued since the last PC meeting.
 - c. Township Board representative – J. Waterman: Highlighted minutes from the Township Board meeting. PC members have had opportunity to review
 - d. Planning Consultant – Ken Lane: not present but provided packet for review
8. Unfinished Business:
 - a. Master Plan 5 year revision update – The survey has been up at www.surveymonkey.com/r/bankstownship since early June. Planning Consultant K. Lane recommends no firm end date at this time. The PC will review at the August meeting and decide if an end date is warranted.
 - b. Proposed ordinance re: Transitory Extraction Planned Unit Development and Soil Removal – over the past several months the commissioners have had much discussion around all aspects of this proposed ordinance and a Public

Hearing was held earlier in this meeting. The PC is ready to move forward with the proposed ordinance. MMS J. Waterman, F. Hersha to recommend approval of the Ordinance 03 of 2024 to the Township Board and send a copy of the proposed ordinance to the County Planning Commission for review and comment. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

- c. Proposed ordinance moratorium – Action was taken last meeting to forward the Soil Removal Police Powers Ordinance to the Township Board for approval. Since the PC approved the Transitory Extraction Planned Unit Development and Soil Removal proposed ordinance earlier this meeting the timeline has been met to avoid extending the moratorium due to PC actions. If the Township Board acts on the PC recommendation at their July meeting there will be no need to extend the moratorium.
- 9. Public Comment – None
 - 10. Next Regular Meeting – Tuesday, August 13, 2024
 - 11. MMS J. Waterman, F. Hersha to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.