

**Jim Thorpe Planning Commission
December 20, 2022
Meeting Minutes**

The Planning Commission Meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by John McGuire. The meeting was held in Memorial Hall, 115 East 10th Street, Jim Thorpe, PA.

Roll Call of Members

Joe Micko-absent	Louis Hall-absent	Bob Schaninger
Joanne Klitsch-absent	James Dougher	Nancy Porambo
John McGuire	Matt Boggs, Entech Engineer	

Visitor's Present & Hearing of Visitors

Carol Lethridge- She was there as a member representing Save Carbon County. She addressed her personal concerns about the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment to the on-lot sewage requirements in the Special District. She does not want any changes to the current Ordinance and for Mauch Chunk Lake to stay as it is.

Linda Christman-She is the president of Save Carbon County and was there to represent the group. The group is opposed to the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment to the on-lot sewer requirements in the Special District. She questioned if it was to be discussed at the current meeting, which it was not being discussed. This topic had been tabled until the January meeting.

Todd Lutte- He was there to express his concerns about the Silk Mill Run Dam Removal Project. He explained there is a lot of stormwater runoff from the high school that is going into the stream. It's this runoff that causes silt and sediment to cover the wild trout's food source.

Gerald Monteleone- He expressed he concern about the stormwater runoff coming into Germantown from the high school.

Minutes and Motions

MOTION by James Dougher, second by Bob Schaninger to **approve the November 22, 2022 meeting minutes**. There were no comments. Motion carries 4-0.

701 West Broadway

Matt Boggs attended on behalf of Kerry Good, who is the Borough's Engineer to explain the findings that were addressed in a letter to Planning Commission. This subdivision plan is for the future Public Service Garage for the Borough. **MOTION** by John McGuire, second by Nancy Porambo to **approve the final subdivision plans conditioned upon the items addressed in the Borough Engineer and Carbon County Planning Commission letters**. Motion carries 4-0.

2099 Hemlock Drive-Banning

John McGuire described the subdivision plans. The property is partially in the Borough, as well as Mahoning Township. The lot would be subdivided into three lots. Two of the lots would be within the Borough limits, the third strictly in Mahoning Township. Planning Commission received a letter from Entech explaining conditions that needed to be met. Planning Commission did not receive feedback from County Planning Commission in reference to the subdivision. **MOTION** by James Dougher, second by Nancy Porambo to **table further discussions until feedback is received from County Planning Commission.** Motion carries 4-0.

Canyon Rim Estates

Jake Arner discussed his new and third subdivision plans. These plans include additional lots for homes, as well as a place for a proposed gondola landing area. There were concerns addressed by Planning Commission in reference to sewer and water. Jake explained that there is testing currently being done for a special pressurized sewer system that would hook up to the Borough's sewer, which if successful, would be what is installed. Water would come from numerous wells and be stored in a water storage tank for use. John McGuire and Nancy Porambo were concerned about his plans for Agritourism and asked for him to think of additional ideas for that because they felt what he currently has planned does not fit the definition of agritourism. **MOTION** by John McGuire, second by Bob Schaninger to **table the preliminary subdivision plans until next months meeting to further review letters from Entech and Carbon County Planning Commission.** Motion carries 4-0. Jake Arner asked if he could have the comments made in Entech's letter so he can have his engineer address the concerns with his plans in time for next month's meeting. **MOTION** by John McGuire, second by Bob Schaninger to **send Entech letter comments to Jake Arner.** Motion carries 4-0.

Draft Zoning Ordinance

Councilmember Crowley had questions and notes pertaining to certain sections in the draft zoning ordinance that she wanted to discuss with Planning Commission. Unfortunately, due to the length of the meeting, she had to leave early. **MOTION** by John McGuire, second by James Dougher to **table Councilmember Crowley's questions and notes from the draft zoning ordinance to January's meeting.** There were no comments. Motion carries 4-0.

Adjournment

MOTION by James Dougher, second by Bob Schaninger to **adjourn the meeting.** There were no comments. Motion carries 4-0. The meeting ended at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brooke Klotz
Borough Secretary