

Swatara Township Planning Commission
May 5, 2016

Board Members in attendance were Scott McFeaters, Dean Patches, Ward Sigler and Jeff Werner.

At 7:45 p.m. the Planning Commission meeting convened after the adjournment of the Stormwater Focus Group.

Ward Sigler moved to recommend a resolution from the Focus Group to use an increase in property taxes to contribute additional funds to fund storm water management activities per DEP and EPA regulations. Seconded by Jeff Werner. No further discussion was held. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Dean Patches moved to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to ask the solicitor to pull the deed and confirm ownership of the storm water basin near BG's. Seconded by Jeff Werner. No further discussion was held. All voted in favor; motion carried.

A request was made to send copies of the corrected millage rate data to each member of the Focus Group and Planning Commission.

Old Business

None

New Business

Monroe Valley Estates – FCM Investors

Ward Sigler moved to defer recommendation on the waiver request from FCM Investors that asks that they not have to show well locations on neighboring properties, until they hear a recommendation from the Township's engineer. Seconded by Scott McFeaters. No further discussion was held. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Dean Patches confirmed that it appears the appropriate percs and testing had been performed for the stormwater plan requirements. Seconded by Ward Sigler. No further discussion was held. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Other Business

Future Newsletter topic – a suggestion was made to include information on what to look for when purchasing a lot for development. Such as access, perc and probes.

Zoning discussion – a suggestion was made that discussion on mobile homes should be held to eliminate ambiguity from the zoning ordinance, if trailers are allowed or not in each district.

A question was posed as to the need for bonding requirements on a lots if there are no plans to develop a lot. The suggestion was made that bonding should only be required when seeking permits.

Adjournment

With no further comments or discussion, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Jennifer Harding