

Swatara Township Planning Commission
April 6, 2017

Board Members in attendance were Dick Musser, Scott McFeaters, Ward Sigler and Jeff Werner. Dean Patches was absent. Also in attendance was Mickey Gartlan, Jennifer Harding and 6 residents.

Jeff Werner called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes

Mickey Gartlan read the minutes.

Ward Sigler moved to approve the March 2nd minutes as read. Seconded by Dick Musser. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Old Business

Township Report-no report.

Mr. Werner stated that unless there were any objections the New Business items would be moved up on the agenda.

New Business

Matt Martin Poultry Houses Land Development Plan - Red Barn Engineering

Ward Sigler moved to accept the Matt Martin Land Development Plan for review. Seconded by Jeff Werner. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Hain Avenue cul-de-sac

Jeff Werner provided some historical background. A cul-de-sac was designed for the end of Hain Avenue in the early 1980's. The Hain Avenue neighbors decided to relocate the cul-de-sac. It has come to light that this revised cul-de-sac plan was not recorded. The Township Solicitor is performing a deed search. The 3 Hain Avenue residents stated that they are interested in getting the plans corrected and recorded.

Old Business

Misty Glen Properties Land Development Plan - Charles Yourshaw, Yourshaw Engineering. There was no revised plan for review.

Residents Ron Fortna, Russ Adkins, Gene Wolf, Steve Steiner and Joe Saam reviewed the following concerns regarding this land development plan:

- the volume of truck traffic and whether Hain Avenue can sustain the traffic
- the proposed stormwater pond failing
- the daily water consumption on the chicken farm and the concern of their wells going dry
- ongoing odor control-who will enforce the replanting of dead trees that were planted for the odor control.

Ordinance Review

Brief discussion was held on the difference between a zoning permit and a building permit. The Ordinance will be reviewed at the May 24th Workshop.

Chapter 18-Holding Tanks

Brief discussion on the number of residents in the Township that the holding tank ordinance would apply to and potential future applications that the sewer enforcement officer would utilize this ordinance.

There was no further discussion.

Ward Sigler moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45p.m. Seconded by Dick Musser. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mickey Gartlan
Jennifer Harding