

Swatara Township Planning Commission
December 6, 2018

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

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

Minutes

The minutes were approved as read.

Old Business

Township Report

Dean Patches provided an update on the N. Lancaster Street bridge. FEMA funds will not be made available for this year's flooding events. The outcome of the Castro zoning hearing was discussed as well as the Kreiser zoning hearing appeal. Ward Sigler discussed the role of the Planning Commission in stormwater.

Jernigan Sewer Module – Black Oak Road

The plan shows the house design with an at grade primary system with a secondary sand mound system.

Ward Sigler moved to sign the Jernigan Sewer Module. Seconded by Scott McFeaters. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Snyder-Weaver Lane Subdivision

Red Barn Consulting is requesting Swatara Township defer review of the Snyder – Weaver Lane Subdivision to Bethel Township. There is a small portion of land within Swatara Township, .6 acres. Discussion was held regarding the prior issues with the township line and the need to confirm the accuracy of the proposed plan, which will need to be confirmed with Lebanon County.

Steve Steiner moved to deny the request to defer review to Bethel Township. Seconded by Ward Sigler. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Stormwater

Infiltration pits are backfiring with the current design standards. There has been too much rain and the pits are putting water back into homes. Discussion was held regarding alternatives such as larger lots or greater distances be required between the infiltration beds from the structure.

New Business

Wedding Venues

A request was made from a realtor who had a client interested in purchasing a farm as a wedding venue. There has been a request from the Planning Commission to research how other Township's handle this type of use.

2019 Meeting Dates

Discussion was held about the 2019 meeting schedule. Two dates have conflicts with Holidays.

January 2019 meeting will be held on January 10th and July 2019 meeting will be held on the 3rd.
The time will be changed to 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Jeff Werner entertained the motion to adjourn.

Ward Sigler moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. Seconded by Steve Steiner. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Harding