

**Minutes**

**June 10, 2019  
Monday, 4:30 p.m.  
Commissioner's Board Room  
155 North 15<sup>th</sup> Street**

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**REGULAR MEETING  
UNION COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

**I. Call to Order:**

Chairman Donald Bowman called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Planning Commission Members Present:

Donald Bowman	Jeff Koppel	Jim Murphy
Sally Farmer	Tony Mike	Greg Prowant
Allan Grundstrom		Ben Ranck

Planning Commission Members Absent:

Susan Benfer

Others Present:

Shawn McLaughlin, Planning Director	Janice Wagner, Staff
Pam Mabus, Planner	Mark Wengard, Developer
John DeVecchio, Planner	
Beau Hoffman, Solicitor	

**II. Approval of Minutes:**

There was a motion by Tony Mike to approve the May 13, 2019 meeting minutes as mailed. Second by Jim Murphy. Motion carried.

**III. Committee Reports:**

A. Subdivision Report – May 2019

Commission Actions

Millmont Mennonite Church – Lewis Township

This plan was approved on April 30, 2019 but due to issues with Clean and Green a revised plan needed to be submitted. The original plan was for 2.06 acres and the new plan is for 2.00 acres. One lot line on the northern end of the property was revised to show the decrease in acreage. Because the Commission approved the original plan, the revised plan must also be approved by the Commission. There was a motion by Jeff Koppel to approve the revised plan. Second by Sally Farmer. Motion carried.

A & A Storage – West Buffalo Township

We are awaiting the draft legal documents and affidavit from Mr. Cresswell's attorney to review.

Staff Actions

None

Municipal Reviews

1. Ritz Craft – Mfbg. Boro (2 lots), comm., 11.45 acs., final, LD, building addition.
2. Carl Marks – Limestone Twp., (1 lot), res., 0.13 acs., add-on, final.
3. NGC – White Deer Twp., (1 lot), comm., 4.90 acs., final, LD, parking lot.
4. Timothy Turner – Buffalo Twp., (4 lots), res., 1.05 acs., final.

There was a motion by Jeff Koppel to endorse the municipal reviews. Second by Allan Grundstrom.

**IV. Correspondence and Information:**

None

**V. Director’s Report:**

Mr. McLaughlin reported he helped with a tour at the GAF plant in New Columbia for members of the Milton School District board and administration; attended FOCUS Central PA board meeting; attended trail authority monthly meeting; attended Commissioner’s meetings and work sessions; attended PPL open house on the proposed transmission line in Kelly Township; attended Gregg Township picnic; met with PennDOT on liquid fuels administration; met with PennDOT financial consultant to address liquid fuels audit finding; had several telephone calls and met with realtors representing Great Stream Commons; met with the railroad related to rail service in the County; working on Pennsylvania Infrastructure bank loan for the County that is being used to finance bridge replacement and repair work; working with Attorneys trying to get the Rai Trail transferred from the Rec Authority to the County Trail Authority; the acting chief clerk duties have been extended indefinitely.

**VI. Old Business:**

A. PennDOT 12-Year Program

John DeVecchio did a presentation on the SEDA-COG Transportation Improvements Program (TIP) update. In that he highlighted the top 5 bridge projects proposed for 2019. 1) The top 5 County bridges are: Bridge #21 T-374 on Shuck Road over Buffalo Creek in Lewis Township; Bridge #1 on Masser Road over White deer Hole Creek in Gregg Township; Bridge #25, Bridge #13 and Bridge #9. Some of the other projects include: 2) the signalization upgrade on US Route 15 which is completed in Lewisburg Borough but f Kelly Township is not yet funded; 3) The Buffalo Valley Rail Trail Crossing US Rt. 15 at the Giant Shopping Center - PennDOT wants to wait until the thruway is completed to see what impact it has on the traffic; 4) New Columbia Park and Ride, currently drivers

are using a makeshift area at the terminus of the northbound exit and entrance ramps across from the elementary school. This is being resubmitted; 5) Colonel John Kelly Road and SR 15 Intersection – the Township does not support closing of this intersection to left turns seeking to travel northbound on US 15. PennDOT will not entertain removing the left turn restriction or installation of a traffic signal. The Township would like to explore a jug handle on US 15 at the Zeigler Road intersection which could accommodate Colonel John Kelly vehicles that want to go north on US 15. Hospital Drive and JPM Intersection. The alignment of this intersection is problematic for efficient traffic movement. Given the roadway alignments and availability of space this intersection is a prime candidate for a roundabout. (PennDOT and Township meeting was held 4/25/19). Resubmitted. 6) William Penn Drive – The alignment, grade, and narrow lane-width of this roadway is incompatible with the heavy volume of traffic carried. (Resurface in progress 6/11). 7) CSVT Norther Section – funding for construction of the Central Susquehanna Valley Thruway northern section and Winfield interchange on schedule. The norther section is scheduled for opening in 2022 and the total project is scheduled for completion in 2027. Mr. Bowman asked the members if they had projects they would like to see included on the list.

**VII. New Business:**

None

**VIII. Public Comment:**

None

**IX. Adjournment:**

There was a motion by Ben Ranck and second by Sally Farmer to adjourn the meeting at 5.58 pm.

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Jeff Koppel, Secretary

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