

AMITY TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
March 11, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Amity Township Planning Commission was held at the Amity Township Municipal Building located at 2004 Weavertown Road, Douglassville, and Berks County, PA. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Paul Weller at 7:00 P.M. with a salute to the flag. The following people were in attendance:

Commission

Dwight Buckwalter  
Steve Chieffo  
Terry Jones  
Julie Marburger  
Paul Weller

Staff

Mr. Kevin Musheno, Kozloff Stout, Solicitor  
Mr. John Weber, LTL Consultants, Engineer  
Kathie Benson, Planning Commission Secretary

MS4 - Municipal Storm Sewer System

*Ashley J. Showers, Planner II, Berks County Planning Commission*

Her attendance this evening was to fulfill Amity Township Requirements for public education for MS4 Permitting. She presented information about MS4 and what it means to Amity Township. She discussed Amity Township and many other communities across the state are required to comply with the US EPA and PA DEP protocols for any new permits issued since 2013 based on the 2000 Census. The protocols are designed to control stormwater from curbing, water basins, swales and municipal storm sewer systems. MS4 does not control Sanitary Sewer Systems. The public is encouraged to become involved in Clean ups in the community. Other suggestions were sweep up any extra salt left after storms and use another time, use public cars washes and if you chose to wash your own car at home it is recommended to wash on your lawn and not the street. Citizens are encouraged to not mow up to a stream on their property but allow a 5 foot buffer and the use of rain barrels is encouraged. Rain Gardens are aesthetically pleasing and more information is available at the Berks County Conservation District Site. Arrangements can be made for a presentation to the Township about rain gardens. No questions from the audience at this time.

Mr. Chieffo moved seconded by Mr. Buckwalter to approve the minutes of February 11, 2015. Motion Carried 5-0.

Dwight Buckwalter - yes  
Steve Chieffo - yes  
Terry Jones - yes  
Julie Marburger - yes  
Paul Weller - yes

CHIEFFO LAND DEVELOPMENT-SKETCH

Mr. Chieffo left the front table and excused himself from the commission for discussion purposes on this plan. Mr. Boyer presented a plan for Lot 6 on Riga Lane. Mr. Chieffo is looking to build a pole building on this lot with less than a acre of disturbance. Mr. Chieffo may look at additional building at a later time. Mr. Jones moved seconded by Mr. Weller to recommend the Board of Supervisor's forgive the full land development review

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and allow this as an in house review. Mr. Chieffo agreed to establish an escrow account. Motion Carried 4-0.

Dwight Buckwalter - yes  
Terry Jones - yes  
Julie Marburger - yes  
Paul Weller - yes

**ZONING**

**Dale A & Lisa M Kirlin**

Mr. Jones moved seconded by Mr. Weller to recommend the application as requested by the applicant to the Zoning Hearing Board. Motion carried 5-0.

Dwight Buckwalter - yes  
Steve Chieffo - yes  
Terry Jones - yes  
Julie Marburger - yes  
Paul Weller - yes

**CCRC- Proposed Ordinance**

Mr. Weber reviewed the ordinance and changes proposed. All members were urged to review and make any request for changes or explanations by Wednesday March 25, 2015.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**COMMENTS**

**OTHER PLANNING COMMISSION ITEMS**

Mr. Boyer updated the planning commission and B&S Storage is currently reviewing the infiltration testing data and will review with Mr. Weber the design for a rain garden.

Steve Chieffo moved seconded by Julie Marburger to adjourn the meeting at 8:03PM. Motion carried 5-0.

Dwight Buckwalter - yes  
Steve Chieffo - yes  
Terry Jones - yes  
Julie Marburger - yes  
Paul Weller - yes

Respectfully submitted,

Kathie Benson  
Planning Commission Secretary