

ATHENS TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
August 3, 2020

The regular meeting of the Athens Township Planning Commission was called to order on Monday, August 3, 2020 at 7:04PM by Chairwoman, Marion Carling.

Present: Clif Cheeks, Marion Carling, Ronald Reagan, Rebecca Miller, and Secretary, Cindy Parrish. All others in attendance signed a sign-in sheet hereby attached.

Chairwoman Carling stated that a workshop had been held for a review of the plans and that no decisions were made at that time.

Max P. Gannon #20-03

Max Gannon was present for a recommendation of the Planning Commission concerning a request he had made to the Athens Township Supervisors. He presented a letter dated January 23, 2020 which explained that he was in the process of constructing a new home on Parcel No. 09-006.00-026-001-000 located on King Road in Athens Township and was asking for a waiver of Section 406(D) of the Athens Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance that the existing above-ground electrical utility lines could be extended to his driveway.

Further, he explained that the above-ground lines would be located within the Township right-of-way, contrary to Section 406(D). He would be extending the service lines with two utility poles along the road right to the front of his driveway. Without the waiver, his only option would be to obtain access through a private easement from adjoining landowners.

Ron Reagan explained that he had a conversation with Attorney Thompson regarding this request, and Mr. Thompson stated he would not have a problem with approving this waiver. However, none of the maps or documents regarding the proposed utility service lines to this property were available, and Clif Cheeks stated he felt the Planning Commission should review these documents prior to making a recommendation. A special meeting of the Planning Commission is planned for Monday, March 9, 2020 and it was decided they would get the documents from Mr. Thompson for their review prior to making a recommendation and Mr. Amato was agreeable to this.

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TIMOTHY A./PAULINE W. BRENNAN #20-01

Scott W. Williams, Surveyor, of Butler Land Surveying, LLC submitted eight (8) copies of a survey plan dated January 28, 2020 and received by the Zoning Office on February 10, 2020 along with an Application for Review of a subdivision, Project Narrative, copy of the Deed, and proposed Easement Maintenance Agreement. Also received from the applicant was a letter from PennDOT regarding the proposed driveway review, a Component 1 Sewage Facilities Module, and Executed Power of Attorney from Pauline W. Brennan.

Project Narrative states that this project consists of a two-lot subdivision of a 338-acre parcel located at SR 1043, Sheshequin Road, zoned Agricultural District. Proposed Lot 3 of 10.69 acres is vacant and has percolation testing as shown. Lot 1 is the remaining land occupied by a house with an on-site septic and water supply system. Lot 2 was previously conveyed. The surrounding parcels are generally used for agricultural and residential purposes. There is no sewage collection system in the vicinity of this subdivision.

Check #0091 in the amount of One Hundred fifty (\$150.00) Dollars from Emma Brennan dated February 5, 2020 was received on February 11, 2020 by the Zoning Office for the filing fee along with Check #0090 in the amount of Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars made payable to the Bradford County Treasurer for the Bradford County review fee.

Motion by Rebecca Miller, second by Clif Cheeks, to review the Plan for preliminary/final plan approval, and motion unanimously carried. A checklist was completed and no deficiencies were found.

Motion by Clif Cheeks, second by Jason Rogers, to recommend preliminary/final plan approval to the Supervisors at their regular meeting to be held on March 25, 2020 at 6:00PM, and motion unanimously carried.

Motion by Ron Reagan, second by Clif Cheeks to approve the Minutes of February 3 and February 10, 2020 as read. Motion carried, except that Rebecca Miller abstained due to her absence at those meetings.

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Meeting was adjourned at 7:45PM as there was no further business to discuss.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine J. Daddona, Secretary