

THE TOBYHANNA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
REORGANIZATION MEETING  
JANUARY 5, 2017

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The 2017 Reorganization Meeting of the Tobyhanna Township Planning Commission was held on January 5, 2017 at the Tobyhanna Township Government Center Building, 105 Government Center Way, Pocono Pines, Pennsylvania 18350.

Present were Board Members Michelle Bisbing, Patricia M. Rinehimer, Anne Lamberton, Township Engineer Robert McHale and Solicitor Jonathan Reiss, Esquire.

Absent from the meeting was Board Member Mark Sincavage.

1. Interim Chair Jonathan J. Reiss called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. It was determined that a quorum was present.
2. Interim Chair Jonathan J. Reiss requested nominations for Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary. Anne Lamberton made motion to appoint existing slate of all officers from last year. Michelle Bisbing seconded. Vote: All in favor; Motion carried.

2017 Planning Commission Officers appointed as follows:

Mark Sincavage, Chairperson  
Michelle Bisbing, Vice Chairperson  
Patricia Rinehimer, Secretary

3. Anne Lamberton made motion to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting; Patricia Rinehimer seconded. Vote: All in favor; Motion carried.
4. There were no public comments.
5. Anne Lamberton made motion to accept the meeting minutes of September 1, 2016; Patricia Rinehimer seconded. Vote: All in favor; Motion carried.
6. Old Business:
  - a) Maureen Minnick states there has been no update on the Anthony Marroni topic. Anne Lamberton made motion to table the Anthony Marroni topic; Patricia Rinehimer seconded. Vote: All in favor; Motion carried.

b) Robert McHale, Township Engineer updates the Board on Liberty Petroleum. Their next step is to meet with PennDOT to discuss traffic concerns and impacts. That meeting has not been scheduled at this time. Anne Lamberton made motion to table the Liberty Petroleum topic; Patricia Rinehimer seconded.

Vote: All in favor; Motion carried.

c) Previous meeting was in December regarding the Blakeslee Overlay. The consultant is working on reviews and creating a conceptual layout of some ideas from the committee. More will be reported after the next meeting.

7. New Business

a) Robert McHale, Township Engineer reviews the Kalahari Snow Tubing plan with the Board. Hotel, restaurant and indoor water park to open in March. The ropes course is completed however the parking lot and infrastructure is currently under construction. The next phase will include a snow tubing hill, parking, creation of Basin 7, a maintenance building, a lodge and an equipment storage building. There will be two access points for pedestrian crossings.

8. Open discussion continues regarding the permeable liner in the basin floor of the Kalahari snow tubing hill that will store water for use in snowmaking. The same guns used to blow snow in the winter will be used to irrigate the grass areas from the basin in the summer.

Anne Lamberton made a motion that the plans be approved subject to the applicant's satisfactory response to Robert McHale, Township Engineer's letter dated January 4, 2017; Patricia Rinehimer seconded. Anne Lamberton declares her conflict of interest as being employed for Papillon & Moyer who do work for Kalahari Resort. Vote: All in favor; Motion carried.

9. There is no public comment.

10. Michelle Bisbing made motion to adjourn. Patricia Rinehimer seconded. Vote: All in favor; Motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.