

TOBYHANNA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
MARCH 5, 2020

The March 2020 Regular Business Meeting of the Tobyhanna Township Planning Commission ("Commission") was held on March 5, 2020, at the Tobyhanna Township Government Center Building, 105 Government Center Way, Pocono Pines, Pennsylvania, 18350.

Present are Mark Sincavage (via Skype), Michelle Bisbing, Patricia Rinehimer, Rachel Schickling, and Solicitor Peter Nelson (via telephone). Brendon Carroll is absent.

It is established that Mark Sincavage and Peter Nelson can hear the audience, and the audience can hear them both.

1. Chair Mark Sincavage calls the meeting to order at 5:31PM. A quorum is present.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance is recited.
3. Solicitor's Report
 - a. Peter Nelson states the appellate court issued a ruling on waivers, and this pamphlet is a reminder. Many municipalities are loose with granting waivers, but a developer must show a hardship that they can't comply. Practically speaking, many municipalities are not following this. Bob McHale states the Moose Crossing project is requesting four basic waivers that are hardships for smaller projects.
 - b. Mark Sincavage asks if waiving a time frame is considered granting a waiver. Bob McHale replies no, it's not a modification to the SALDO, it's a time extension. Mark Sincavage asks if the standard waivers the Commission normally gives meet the hardship requirement? Peter Nelson replies they might because of the project's size. Bob McHale states this is only a lot reconfiguration; there is no reason to get addition information within 500 ft. of the parcel.
4. Minutes
 - a. Vice Chair Michelle Bisbing takes over the meeting. Patricia Rinehimer motions to approve the minutes from the February 6th meeting, Rachel Schickling seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
5. New Business

Moose Crossing Minor Subdivision/Lot Consolidation Plan. Bob McHale states that the developers have submitted two revised plans from the time of the review letter. The most recent one has the notes the Commission discussed. He recommends approval, but it

should be noted the Commission does not yet have comments from the Monroe County Planning Commission (MCPC). The Board of Supervisors cannot approve the minor subdivision/lot consolidation until they receive comments or 31 days pass. The lot consolidation plan occurs after the minor subdivision, and goes through the Zoning Officer. They have a copy of the original HOP.

The Commission discusses the location of the property and access to the property. Rachel Schickling motions to approve the minor subdivision/lot consolidation, Patricia Rinehimer seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.

6. Open Discussion – none.
7. Public Comment – none.
8. Patricia Rinehimer motions to adjourn, Rachel Schickling seconds. Vote: all in favor; meeting adjourned at 5:42PM.

Minutes recorded by Julia Heilakka