

**WORCESTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING  
WORCESTER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY HALL  
1031 VALLEY FORGE ROAD, WORCESTER, PA 19490  
THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2017, 7:30 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER** by Mr. Todd at 7:30 PM

**ATTENDANCE**

PRESENT:	GORDON TODD	[X]
	CHRIS DAVID	[X]
	DOUG ROTONDO	[X]
	TONY SHERR	[X]
	RICK DELELLO	[X]

1. March 23, 2017 Meeting Minutes – Mr. DeLello motioned to approve the March 23, 2017 Meeting Minutes, with corrections made to capitalize the words in each agenda item, second by Ms. David. There was no public comment. By unanimous vote the motion was approved.
2. Sign Ordinance – Tommy Ryan, Township Manager, noted the Township Solicitor had reviewed the proposed sign ordinance, and had made revisions to the temporary sign regulations.

Mr. DeLello commented on the athletic field sign regulations. Mr. Ryan confirmed this portion of the ordinance had not been revised subsequent to the last Planning Commission meeting.

Ms. David recommended a proposed revision to the spacing requirement for small temporary signs. Mr. Ryan will make this revision to the ordinance.

Ms. David commented on the athletic field spectator signs. Eric Frey, Solicitor for the Methacton School District, commented on the athletic field spectator sign location and height.

Mr. DeLello commented on political sign permissions. Mr. Ryan noted two US Supreme Court decisions regarding political signs, and he commented on current Township practice regarding the location of these signs.

Mr. Todd commented on additional review of the proposed ordinance. Mr. Ryan noted the schedule for the consideration and adoption of the ordinance. David Zerbe, Superintendent of the Methacton School District, commented on the anticipated schedule for the District's athletic field sign and sponsorship program.

Brandon Rudd, Montgomery County Planning Commission, commented on the review of the ordinance conducted by the Montgomery County Planning Commission.

Doug Rotondo motioned to recommend the Board of Supervisors approve the proposed sign ordinance, second by Mr. Todd. There was no public comment. The motion carried 2-1, with Mr. Rotondo and Mr. Todd voting aye, and with Ms. David voting nay.

3. Bamboo Ordinance – Tommy Ryan, Township Manager, noted the Township Solicitor had reviewed the proposed Bamboo ordinance, and was agreeable to that presented.

Mr. Rudd noted the ordinance had been revised to include a forty-foot setback from public trails and sidewalks.

Mr. Todd noted consensus of the Planning Commission was to not regulate the growth of Bamboo at private property lines and along riparian corridors.

Ms. David motioned to recommend the Board of Supervisors approve the proposed Bamboo ordinance, second by Mr. Rotondo. There was no public comment. By unanimous vote the motion was approved.

4. May 25 Meeting Agenda – At its May 25 meeting the Planning Commission will review the proposed Center Point Village Zoning Ordinance, an application made to add property to the Worcester Township Agricultural Security Area, and the Sparango land development application (LD 2016-05), if this revised plan is submitted for review.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- There was no public comment at this evening's meeting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Planning Commission, Mr. Todd adjourned the meeting at 8:02 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Tommy Ryan  
Township Manager