WORCESTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes July 24, 2025 | 7:00 PM

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chair Tony Sherr.

Roll Call

Present: Tony Sherr (Chair), Michelle Greenawalt, Bob Andorn, Jennifer Taylor, and Lee Koch.

Also present: Dan DeMeno (Township Manager) and John Evarts (Township Engineer).

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Lee Koch, seconded by Commissioner Bob Andorn, to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2025 meeting with one correction: the motion to recommend the Childcare Ordinance was made by Commissioner Koch, not Commissioner Andorn. Motion passed unanimously, 5-0. Township Manager DeMeno will make the correction.

1616 Whitehall Farm Improvement Plan Application

Applicant: DePaul (Owner)
Location: 1616 Whitehall Road
Plan Type: Farm Improvement Plan

- The applicant did not appear for the scheduled review.
- The Commission discussed whether to recommend denial or table the application.
- Commissioner Andorn recommended that the matter be tabled.
- Following discussion, the Commission agreed by consensus to table the application until the applicant appears.
- Chair Sherr emphasized that applicants should resolve all zoning issues before returning to the Commission.

Public Comment

- Resident Kim David requested a summary of the 1616 Whitehall Road issue and asked to review the agreement between DePaul and the Township.
- Resident Cheryl Brumbaugh asked about next steps regarding the matter.

Sign Ordinance Review

- The Commission directed that the draft ordinance be integrated with the existing redline version and distributed as soon as possible.
- Staff will review the use of "shall," "must," and "may" to ensure enforceability.
- The Commission will focus on definitions at the first review session.
- A copy of the Montgomery County Model Sign Ordinance will be provided for reference.
- Staff will review Franconia Township's billboard regulations as a comparable example and provide this information to the Commission.

Other Business

- Commissioner Andorn noted the importance of continuing open space reviews.
- Township Manager DeMeno will provide supporting materials.
- The Commission directed staff to assemble a binder of all Township-owned properties, to include a photograph, history, and any restrictions for each parcel.

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Andorn, seconded by Chair Sherr, to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan DeMeno Township Manager