



MIDDLE SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

JANUARY 26, 2023

The regular meeting of the Middle Smithfield Township Planning Commission was held on Thursday January 26, 2023, at 5:30 pm at Schoonover Municipal Building, with Bob Early presiding.

Planning Commission members in attendance: Bob Early, Parin Shah, Wayne Bolt, Nick Theofilos, Mark Oney, and VIA Zoom, alternate member Carrie Wetherbee. Also, in attendance Planning Commission Recording Secretary Vicki Smith.

Presenter: Annette Atkinson, Chairperson for the Middle Smithfield Township Supervisors

Pledge of Allegiance

2023 Organization

Parin Shah nominated Bob Early as Chairman, Wayne Bolt seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.,

Bob Early nominated Parin Shah as Vice Chairman, Wayne Bolt seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.,

Parin Shah nominated Wayne Bolt as Secretary, Bob Early seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.,

Wayne Bolt nominated Vicki Smith as Recording Secretary, Bob Early seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Approval of Agenda and any Amendments

Parin Shah made a motion to approve the January 23, 2023, agenda. Wayne Bolt seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Approval of the Minutes

Correction on name needed to the November 17, 2022, minutes Wayne Bolt, was incorrectly referred to as Wayne Shah and this will be corrected.

Parin Shah made a motion to approve the November 17, 2022, minutes with the correction. Wayne Bolt seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Plan Submittals

None

Plan Reviews and Unfinished Business

None

Other Reviews and/or Recommendations

None

New business

Route 209 Revitalization - Middle Smithfield Township would offer matching grant money to property owners on Route 209 to help improve façade. Part of the grant implementation, the Township Supervisors would like to form a committee with members from the Planning Commission, Economic Development Committee and Historical Commission as well as members of the public. The committee will receive applications and rate the properties who will have the biggest impact on the proposed improvement. Further details to come.

Discussion

Open discussion on what areas the grant would best be used.

Continuing Education

Pennstate Extension Land Use Webinar Series – Management of Vegetation on Utility Transmission Lines

Public Comment

Congratulations to Person of the Year Wayne Bolt.

Parin Shah would like to revive the continuing education classes for members of the Planning Commission for credit. In the past classes were held with other townships. Recording Secretary Vicki Smith will look into this.

Next Meeting

February 23, 2023

Adjourn

Wayne Bolt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 p.m. Parin Shah seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Smith
Planning Commission Recording Secretary
January 26, 2023