

**NEWTON TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
October 27, 2021**

Members Present-- Scot Haan, Karen Lilik, Steve Sartori, and James Norton.

Absent: Gregg Raino, Gary Martenson and Bob McMinn

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to Flag.

General Meeting

Minutes: Lilik motioned to accept the minutes of the September 29, 2021, 2nd by Sartori. Motion voted, all in favor.

New Business:

Wilmot Subdivision: No one present for review of the plans. Planning Commission reviewed them and found that the buffer line on the maps is incorrect and the surveyor needs to review Section 314.2 in the zoning book. Buffer is supposed to be 25 feet from the edge of the creek. All test pits were good. DEP modules were incomplete and three copies are required. The residual acreage amount needs to be on the plans. Plans were not accepted.

Bennett Subdivision: Lot A (3.16 acres) will be added to Lot 2 (3.1 acres) of the original subdivision making it 6.26 acres. The submission was made tonight and is located on Beaver Pond Road. **Motion by Sartori to accept the plans, 2nd by Lilik. Motion voted, all in favor. Motion by Norton to recommend approval to the Supervisors, 2nd by Lilik. Motion voted, all in favor.**

Griggs Subdivision: The property is located on Laurel Hill Road. The original subdivision was that of Loren and Eleanor Miller after 1993. Mr. and Mrs. Griggs wish to subdivide their 26.49 acres into two parcels each being 14.59 acres and 11.9 acres. Plans will be sent out to the county for review and DEP modules will be submitted. **Motion by Lilik to accept the plans, 2nd by Norton. Motion voted, all in favor.**

Waters/Spenser Lot-line Adjustment: This property is located on Falls Road. Spenser estate is conveying 6.491 acres to the Waters existing property of 15.458 acres to create a 22-acre lot. The remaining acreage of Spenser will be 123 acres. Plans were submitted by the surveyor to Lackawanna County and planning modules were not complete yet. **Motion by Lilik to accept the plans, 2nd by Sartori. Motion voted, all in favor.**

Wentz Farms: DEP modules were received from an engineer representing the Wentz farm. Haan had questions and retained the modules to discuss his concerns with the engineer.

Unfinished Business:

Terra Manor: Revised plans were received addressing the concerns of the township engineer. Planning Commission stated that the plans need to go to the engineer again for review and the developer will need to reach out to the township solicitor in regards to the process that needs to be followed for the road.

SAPA: No progress.

Public Input: None

Being no public input, **motion by Norton to adjourn at 8:55PM, 2nd by Sartori. Motion voted, all in favor.**

Respectfully submitted by Francine Fawcett.