

ATTENDANCE

Planning Commission

Brian Rater, Chair
Richard Schmidt, Vice-Chair
William Burnett, Secretary
Jim Payne, Alt. Secretary
Robert Prosek
Sharon Collins
Ellen Foreman (**in-person**)

Township Staff

Douglas Erickson, Township Manager (**in-person**)
Alexandra Castrechini, Township Engineer (**in-person**)
Nicole Harter, Acting Zoning Officer/Public Works Secretary
Nicole Pollock, CRPA

Audience

C-Net
Trish Meek, Centre Regional Planning Agency
Annie Foytak, ReMax Centre Realty
Andrea Pandolfi, Patton Township Housing Task Force
Kristen Dzvonycsak, Patton Township Housing Task Force
Steven Bodner, Patton Township Housing Task Force
Morgan Wasikonis, Patton Township Housing Task Force

*****Meeting was hybrid with a mix of in-person and Zoom.*****

1. CALL TO ORDER – ORGANIZATIONAL / REGULAR MEETING

The January 10, 2022 organizational and regular meeting was called to order at 4:32 PM by the 2021 Chair, Mr. Brian Rater.

The Planning Commission members welcomed the newest member, Ms. Ellen Foreman to the Planning Commission.

2. ITEMS OF CORRECTION

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

3. ORGANIZATION

a. Election of Officers:

Ms. Sharon Collins made a motion to elect Mr. Brian Rater as Chair. Motion seconded by Mr. Jim Payne. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0. Mr. Richard Schmidt was not present for the vote.

Mr. Jim Payne made a motion to elect Mr. Richard Schmidt as Vice-Chair. Ms. Sharon Collins seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0. Mr. Richard Schmidt was not present for the vote.

Mr. Jim Payne made a motion to elect Mr. William Burnett as Secretary. Seconded by Ms. Sharon Collins. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0. Mr. Richard Schmidt was not present for the vote.

Mr. William Burnett nominated Mr. Jim Payne as Alternate Secretary, Seconded by Ms. Sharon Collins. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0. Mr. Richard Schmidt was not present for the vote.

3. **ORGANIZATION (cont.)**

b. Meeting Dates: The Planning Commission reviewed the following meeting dates.

REGULAR MEETING	WORK SESSION
January 10, 2022 (1)	
February 7, 2022	February 14, 2022
March 14, 2022 (2)	March 21, 2022
April 4, 2022	April 11, 2022
May 2, 2022	May 9, 2022
June 6, 2022	June 13, 2022
July 11, 2022 (3)	July 18, 2022
August 1, 2022	August 8, 2022
September 12, 2022 (4)	September 19, 2022
October 3, 2022	October 10, 2022
November 7, 2022	November 14, 2022
December 5, 2022	December 12, 2022
January 9, 2023 (5)	
(1) Second Monday due to Supervisors Meeting (2) Second Monday due to Penn State Spring Break (3) Second Monday due to Independence Day (4) Second Monday due to Labor Day (5) Organizational Meeting for 2023	

The Planning Commission Members unanimously agreed to the meeting dates for 2022 and start time at 4:30 pm as submitted.

c. Selection of Representative to the Centre Regional Planning Commission:
 Mr. Brian Rater volunteered to be the primary representative in 2022 for the Centre Regional Planning Commission and Ms. Sharon Collins and Mr. Jim Payne noted that they both could serve as alternate representatives.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Meeting minutes from the October 4, 2021 combined Regular Meeting and Work Session were brought before the Planning Commission for approval.

Mr. William Burnett made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Ms. Sharon Collins. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0. Mr. Richard Schmidt was not present for the vote.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Annie Foytack, ReMax Centre Realty, joined the Planning Commission on behalf of Leadership Centre County to learn about the procedures of the Planning Commission and was thankful for the opportunity to join.

6. BICYCLE PARKING

The Planning Commission has been discussing required minimum bicycle parking standards in multi-family residential, commercial, and mixed-use developments in the Township to encourage bicycle use and promote connectivity to the pedestrian and bicycle network in the Township.

At the June 7, 2021 meeting, the Planning Commission decided it would like to see bicycle parking required by use. Since then, the Planning Commission has spent several months discussing with Staff how to regulate bicycle parking for new land development plans.

At the October 4, 2021 meeting, Staff stated research would be conducted on bicycle parking requirements for multi-family residential and theatre uses; and incentivizing bicycle parking beyond the minimum ordinance requirements. Staff looked at additional Bicycle Friendly Communities for examples and made recommendations.

Ms. Trish Meek, Centre Regional Planning Agency, provided a PowerPoint presentation with the proposed changes.

Mr. Jim Payne made a motion to forward the proposed bicycle parking regulations to the Board of Supervisors. The motion was seconded by Ms. Sharon Collins. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0

7. STATUS ON PENDING ITEMS

Ms. Nicole Pollock provided a brief review of the pending items.

There were no comments from the Planning Commission on the pending work task items.

8. REPORTS

Ms. Pollock also introduced Ms. Andrea Pandolfi, and Ms. Kristen Dzvonyicsak, both Township Residents and members of the Patton Township Housing Task Force. Both Ms. Dzvonyicsak and Ms. Pandolfi spoke to the Planning Commission and provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Housing Task Force's Report.

Ms. Sharon Collins is concerned with changing housing markets.

Ms. Ellen Foreman asked if this report coincides with climate sustainability. Ms. Pollock noted that she works closely with Ms. Pam Adams, Centre Regional Sustainability Planner.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business brought before the Planning Commission.

10. ADJOURN – REGULAR MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 PM.