

Tinicum Township Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
January 24, 2017

Present: Ted Leister, John Cole, Tom Casola, Neil Sullivan, Walt Schneiderwind and Vincent Dotti.

Absent: Tim Cashman

Appointment of Officers

Motion by Dotti, seconded by Leister, to appoint John Cole as Planning Commission Chairperson. All in favor.

Motion by Leister, seconded by Cole, to appoint Tom Casola as Planning Commission Vice-Chairperson. All in favor.

Motion by Dotti, seconded by Schneiderwind to appoint Ted Leister as Planning Commission Secretary. All in favor.

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes of Jan 12, 2016 Meeting: Motion by Casola, seconded by Cole, to approve the minutes. All in favor.
- Minutes of Aug 23, 2016 Meeting: Motion by Dotti, seconded by Casola, to approve the minutes. All in favor.
- Minutes of Sept 13, 2016 Meeting: Motion by Dotti, seconded by Casola, to approve the minutes. All in favor.
- Minutes of Oct 25, 2016 Meeting: Motion by Dotti, seconded by Cole, to approve the minutes. All in favor
- Minutes of Nov 22, 2016 Meeting: Motion by Cole, seconded by Dotti, to approve the minutes. All in favor.
- Minutes of Dec 13, 2016 Meeting: Motion by Dotti, seconded by Casola, to approve the minutes. All in favor.

The Chair recognized the contributions of the former members of the Planning Commission.

The Chair recommended guidelines for the PC meetings:

- Start on time and finish by 9pm
- Contact John Cole and Cathy Capozzi if a member cannot make a meeting

A suggestion was made that the agenda for the meeting be circulated the Friday before the meeting at the latest.

A suggestion was made to make it a policy of the committee that questions be held until the presenter has finished their presentation.

The duties of the Planning Commission were discussed.

Discussion of the Planning Commission Priorities for 2017:

- Home Occupation
- Alternative Energy
- Ottsville Village Plan
- Ag use
- Water quality
- Floodplain

This will be discussed more at the next work session.

It was suggested that the PC review the Comprehensive Plan before the next meeting.

The PC continues to review the proposed ordinance amendments.

Suggestions for changes were made regarding:

- Definitions
- Tree removal
- Steep Slopes
- Riparian Corridors
- Floodplain
- Increased setbacks

The PC did not vote on any changes.

Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Casola, to adjourn. All in favor.

The next meeting is a work session scheduled for February 14, 2017 at 7:30pm.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 28, 2017 at 7:30pm.