

**BOROUGH OF SEWICKLEY
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, May 6, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman St. Germain who led the assembled in the pledge of allegiance.

Members in attendance: Mr. Ed Green, Mr. Jeff Tyson, Mr. Nathan St. Germain, Mr. Tom Rostek, Ms. Shea Murtaugh, Mr. Thomas Wingens, and Ms. Christine Allen.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes for the March 4th meeting were reviewed. Mr. Ed Green made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Christine Allen. The motion passed 5-0-2 approval.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Planning Commission officers

- Tom Rostek made a motion to appoint Nathan St. Germain as chairman. Ed Green 2nd the motion – The motion passed 7-0
- Shea Murtaugh nominated Tom Rostek for Vice-chair of the planning commission. Tom Rostek refused the nomination preferring a citizen member as Vice-chair as opposed to an official. Ms. Murtaugh withdrew her motion.
- Tom Rostek made a motion to appoint Ed Green as Vice-chair of the planning commission. Shea Murtaugh 2nd the motion. The motion passed 7-0
- After some discussion, Christine Allen volunteered as planning commission secretary – Tom Rostek mad a motion to appoint Christine Allen as planning commission secretary. Ed Greed 2nd the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Discussion Items

1. REVIEW THE IDEA FOR HAVING HOEY’S RUN MAPPED AND OR INSPECTED

Mr. Ed Green led the discussion of mapping Hoey’s run.

The following reasons were given for the mapping and inspection:

- The existing maps have proven to be inaccurate
- Hoey’s run flooded during the 70s.
- Section near the ballfield needed to be replaced. It is suspected that other sections may be failing.
- Storm drains drop into it
- Can hinder development
- Need to know the condition of the culvert

What can be done to map it?

- Use TVing method – Can update the map, can use ground penetrating radar, a boat

- Things to present with our recommendation – Why it should be done, how much will it cost, how accurate can we get it
- Mr. Green volunteered to work with borough manager Marla Marcinko to get an estimate of the work

2. REVIEW SALDO 292-505 STREETS AND SALDO 292-506 ROAD CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

- Mr. Green led the discussion of the road construction requirements currently in the SALDO.
- An update to the language was suggested for the following reasons:
 - o Roadbed layers are the same regardless of road usage. Roads that regularly have large vehicular traffic, such as busses, are treated the same as all other roads
 - o A better option would be to get the SALDO to match the engineering standards.
 - o Mr. Green volunteered to work with Ms. Marcinko to acquire a recommendation from the borough engineer.

3. DISCUSS UPCOMING PC SEAT VACANCY IN MAY/JUNE FOR JEFF TYSON

- Jeff Tyson informed the commission that he will soon be moving out of the borough and his seat will soon be vacant.
- Doug Upton had applied for an open seat earlier in the year and had been interviewed by the planning commission at that time. The commission agreed that he should be considered for the vacant seat.
- Tom Rostek volunteered to work with Ms. Marcinko to advertise for the position in a similar way as done in January.

Ms. Murtaugh volunteered to create a LinkedIn page for the commission. The page would assist in attracting new talent to the commission and increasing visibility into what the commission does. Ms. Murtaugh was asked form the page with the guidance of the borough manager.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Green made the motion to adjourn which was seconded by Shea Murtaugh. The motion passed 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 5:21p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Rostek
Council Member