

MINUTES
BROOKVILLE BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION
Wednesday, July 14, 2021 @ 5:00 P.M.

The Brookville Borough Planning Commission met on Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. in Council Chambers with the following in attendance:

MEMBERS

David Taylor
Dr. Ed Richards
Bob Radaker
Rick Park

STAFF

Manager Dana Rooney
Recorder Christine Gunning

VISITORS

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman David Taylor called the meeting to order at 5:01 P.M.

CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Vice-Chairman Ed Richards moved to approve the minutes of the June 9th Planning Commission meeting as submitted; seconded by Member Rick Park. Motion carried 4-0.

CHAIR REPORT:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

DEVELOPMENT PLANS:

- A. Main Street Waterline Replacement Project Review Letter** – Manager Dana Rooney stated the Main Street Waterline Replacement is a project that is coming up, and the engineers of the Brookville Municipal Authority, Gwin, Dobson, and Foreman, are reaching out to the Planning Commission to make sure the project is consistent with the Borough and the county land use plan, the comprehensive plan, and all other applicable county and local land use planning requirements. Manager Dana Rooney stated they gave us a sample letter that we can format for our needs. Manager Dana Rooney stated they are looking for our approval that the Main Street Waterline Replacement Project is consistent with the Borough's land use. Member David Taylor asked for the record, that waterline replacement runs from where to where? Manager Dana Rooney stated it starts at Fetzer Street and goes to Franklin Avenue, and it slightly goes up Franklin Avenue too. Member David Taylor stated Member Arthur McKinley sent in a comment, and asked if it made it to everybody. Manager Dana Rooney stated the email yes, and there is a printed copy. Member Bob Radaker stated in the plans he saw, the waterline is going to go west up to White Street, and before White Street it is going to cross over to the Presbyterian Church side, and then go up to Fetzer Street from there. Member Bob Radaker stated, to give a brief history, the existing water line was installed around 1886. Member Bob Radaker stated the

pipe is pit cast iron, is very much used up, and it does not take much corrosion to blow it out. Member Bob Radaker stated the last time that we had a major leak was in front of the courthouse, and that repair cost the Brookville Municipal Authority not quite fifty thousand dollars. Member Bob Radaker stated the repair itself was under twenty thousand dollars. Member Bob Radaker stated it was right after they paved Main Street, and they wanted everything repaved, and it was thirty thousand dollars to repave that section. Member Bob Radaker stated the second thing he would like to say is the Brookville Municipal Authority has been working on a second reservoir feed from the water plant to the reservoir. Member Bob Radaker stated there is already twelve-inch pipe in place, and they are working at trying to get twelve-inch installed. Member Bob Radaker stated the last thing he will do, and in that he will not go guess if there is any jeopardy curbing that would affect the substantial grant monies that we are trying to get. Member Bob Radaker stated this is about a two-million-dollar project. Member Bob Radaker stated maybe we could make a recommendation back to the Borough to piggyback an auxiliary contract to have curbing replaced, but he does not know if the Brookville Municipal Authority is going to want to jump in to just replace curbing. Manager Dana Rooney stated in the third paragraph of the suggestion letter the engineers provided to us, it mentions suggesting modifications. Manager Dana Rooney stated if we wanted to say anything about curbing, we could put it in that paragraph, plus that paragraph also goes on to say that as long as you approved it in paragraph two, they make the recommendation that you finish it with 'this project is important and we strongly encourage Pennvest to provide the appropriate funding. Manager Dana Rooney stated so it is just reiterating the fact that we are suggesting some modifications, but by no means do we want that to hold up the project. Manager Dana Rooney stated we are still suggesting it go through whether you take our suggestions or not. Manager Dana Rooney asked would that suit the Board's needs for this project? Vice-Chairman Ed Richards stated he thinks so. Member Bob Radaker stated the plans are to run a track machine against the curb, and dig the ditch in the middle of that track so that way the ditch for the waterline would be six to seven feet from the curb. Member Bob Radaker stated that is the plan, to set that back, so there will be virtually no curb work. Vice-Chairman Ed Richards made a motion to approve the land use letter for the Main Street Waterline Replacement Project, making a suggestion for consideration to modify the curbing on Main Street, but not to stop the project because of it; seconded by Member Rick Park. Motion carried 4-0.

- B. Brookville Area School District - Lot Consolidation Plan** – Manager Dana Rooney stated the plans in front of you are for a lot consolidation plan for the Brookville Area School District's new maintenance shed. Manager Dana Rooney stated currently there are three different lots on this property, and they want to turn those three lots into one lot for tax purposes, and to save them on some zoning issues in the building process. After some discussion, Member Bob Radaker made a motion to accept the lot consolidation plan for the Brookville Area School District's new maintenance shed; seconded by Vice-Chairman Ed Richards. Motion carried 4-0.

- C. **Zimmerman Subdivision Update** – Manager Dana Rooney stated she had an update on the Zimmerman Subdivision. Manager Dana Rooney stated after the Borough engineer started to review it, there were significant modifications they would have to make, and they ran into some wetland problems. Manager Dana Rooney stated they will re-do the subdivision, and eventually it will come back to the Planning Commission for approval again under a different subdivision.
- D. **Former Gold Eagle Property** – Chairman David Taylor asked what is going on with the former Gold Eagle property? Manager Dana Rooney stated on the Borough side, they just sent comments back to our engineer that she got copied on in an email. Manager Dana Rooney stated they had a few things that they were still working out, but there was nothing major. Manager Dana Rooney stated she thinks they are ready to move forward.
- E. **Suspension Bridge/Master Site Plans** - Chairman David Taylor stated the Borough has applied for funding for the suspension bridge out at the dam, and also for a master site plan for Longview Park and for Main Street.

COMMUNITY PLANNING:

None

NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING:

None

OFFICIAL REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE:

None

COMMUNICATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Planning Commission Chairman David Taylor stated the next Planning Commission meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, August 11th at 5:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

Member Rick Park made a motion to adjourn at 5:26 P.M.; seconded by Vice-Chairman Ed Richards. Motion carried 4-0.