

**Lawrence County Planning Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
The Grill on the Hill
May 10, 2023
12:00 PM**

The regular meeting of the Lawrence County Planning Commission was held at The Grill on the Hill at 12:00 PM on May 10th, 2023.

Attendance

Planning Commission

Board:

Larry Lambo, Chairman
Mary Burris, Secretary
Everett Bleakney
James Blundo
Cindy Morabito
Hygeia Moss-Eggleston (Alternate)
Linda Nitch
Frank Telesz

Staff:

Amy McKinney, Director of Planning
Allen Miller, Deputy Director of Planning
Rebecca Shaffer, Deputy Director of Community Development
Mary Glass, Office Manager

Guests:

Debbie Wachter, New Castle News
Kevin Swogger, Ellwood City Borough Manager
Amy Kunselman, Lawrence County Builders/Board of Realtors
Marla Brown, PA State Representative

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Lawrence County Planning Commission was called to order at 12:07 PM by Larry Lambo.

Additions/Deletion to Agenda

There were no additions or deletions made to the agenda.

Public Comments

Representative Marla Brown was in attendance and updated meeting participants on her upcoming community outreach events through the summer.

Regular Agenda

- a. **Approval of Minutes:** Cindy Morabito moved, seconded by Karolee Loughhead to approve the minutes from the March 8, 2023, meeting. Motion carried, 8-0.

b. Staff Report:

- Comprehensive Plan/Greenways Plans: DCNR C2P2 Quaker Falls – Phase 2 project. We are working on the timeline, site drawings and bid documents. Our office will be performing spring inspections of all county parks and boat launches.
- CDBG and CDBG-CV1, CV2 and CV3: General administrative duties. Revisions and two modifications by grant manager. Ellwood City Street Improvement contract awarded. Attended CD&H Practitioners Conference at State College.
- ARPA: General Administrative Duties. Quarterly Report was submitted on April 27th.
- SPC: Attended TTC meetings. Planning Directors Meeting. Working with SPC staff for Spring PPP meeting (May 22)
- RALC: Administering the Side Yard Program and Countywide Housing and Blight Remediation Program. Working on a Countywide Façade Improvement program and Ellwood City Façade Program. Attended Blight Summit hosted by Westmoreland County Redevelopment Authority and Land Bank.
- Link-Up Lawrence: Feasibility study for the expansion of broadband in the County. Bi-weekly check in with Consultant. Provider interviews. Open House Meeting is being held on May 11th from 12:00 – 3:30. Virtual meeting is being held on May 18th from 6-8 p.m. And you must register online.
- League of Municipality: Meeting was held on April 19th. We are planning to hold our next meeting in September, but a date has not been set.
- Municipal Assistance: Assisting local municipalities and organizations. Working with Union Township and PennDOT on Revitalization project. Ellport Borough Zoning Ordinance.

c. Commissioner’s Comments:

Due to a prior commitment, no Commissioners were in attendance.

d. Old Business: none

e. New Business: none

Action Agenda:

Subdivision and Land Developments: One land development was presented to the Board for review:

Dollar General – Mahoning Township: Allen Miller reviewed the County Comments on the plan. Everett Bleakney moved that the Township take the County comments presented into consideration before approval. Cindy Morabito seconded. Motion carried 8-0

Zoning and Municipal Reviews: none

Notifications

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 14th, 2023, at 12:00 PM at the North Beaver Township Building located at 861 Mt. Jackson Road, New Castle, PA.

Adjournment: Mary Burris moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Linda Nitch. Meeting adjourned at 1:49p.m.