

CALL TO ORDER

The regular March 24, 2018 meeting of the Buchanan Township Planning Commission (PC) was called to order by Chairman Dennis Wentworth at 6:32 p.m.

Members Present: Dennis Wentworth (Chair), Scott Albright, Gerald (Jerry) DiPietro, Amber Breden, Daniel Lakin and Sheila Reitz, Kimberly Scarpone

Members Absent:

Others Present: Staff Member: Enforcement Officer Eileen Glick. Also present: Mario Palmisano.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 19, 2017

Scott Albright moved to approve the December 19, 2017 minutes as offered, Sheila Reitz seconded.

Roll Call Vote

Sheila Reitz

Scott Albright

Dennis Wentworth

Jerry DiPietro (Corrected Typo)

Daniel Lakin

Kimberly Scarpone (Added)

Passed Unanimously.

Dennis Wentworth introduced our new member, Amber Breden, who is replacing Laurel Green who had schedule conflicts. Welcome Amber!

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Sheila Reitz moved to approve the Agenda, Scott Albright seconded. Unanimously passed.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS

No public comment

CORRESPONDENCE

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance Violation Policy – Enforcement

Eileen Glick, Code Enforcement Officer, mentioned that we need something on the books to assist her in enforcing code violations. Currently, all she can do is write letters. Eileen is most

familiar with is Option 1 of the Foster Swift letter dated May 17, 2017, Option 1: Issuance of a municipal civil infraction citation. Scott Albright asked if Eileen will pen the ordinance and submit it to the Planning Commission. Scott Albright asked for further clarification of Option 1 with regard to any possible court action. Eileen Glick clarified the court process in Option 1. Scott Albright asked if the Building Inspector had similar remedies. Sheila indicated the Building Inspector reports to the Township Board and they are the ones who provide direction.

Dennis Wentworth moved that we have a public hearing at our next meeting regarding the code enforcement amendment to our Township code as outlined in the Foster Swift memo, Option 1 as prepared by Eileen Glick. Kimberly Scarpone seconded (Corrected Kim to Kimberly)

ROLL CALL VOTE

Sheila Reitz	Yes
Amber Breden	Yes
Scott Albright	Yes
Dennis Wentworth	Yes
Jerry DiPietro	Yes
Daniel Lakin	Yes
Kimberly Scarpone	Yes (Corrected Typo)

Passed Unanimously

NEW BUSINESS

Daniel Lakin brought up 13177 Main Street, trash in the driveway, mattresses, junk. Sheila said that Township Board is aware of it and working on it. Sheila also commented that the board and our legal people are looking into our concerns regarding Red Bud Racing and land use.

CITIZENS COMMENTS – NON AGENDA ITEMS:

None

Meeting Adjourned PM 6:52pm

Next meeting: **March 28, 2018 6:30PM**



Gerald DiPietro Secretary