

Valencia Borough Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes

9-2-2021

Commissioners Present: Torey Verts; Julie Himmelstein, John Mullins

Guests: Brian Himmelstein, Parker McKenna

Call to order:

The meeting of the Valencia Borough Planning Commission was called to order at 5:38 p.m.

Agenda Changes

No changes were made to the agenda.

Amend/Approve Minutes:

No changes were made to the meeting minutes from 8-5-2021.

Decision: Commissioner Himmelstein made the motion to accept the minutes. Commissioner Mullins seconded.

Vote: 3.0.0

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

New business:

Borough Update

Council President Himmelstein gave updates on the borough. There will be a pre-construction meeting between Adams Township and Shields Paving next week for Three Degree Road. The gas line reconstruction in the borough is going well. Peoples Gas is getting read to make pavement repairs in the areas where gas lines were torn up. They will fix the borough building parking lot when they are done. St. Barnabas is ready to pave Phase 2 of the Woodlands. There will be one section at the top of Delaware Street that they will not pave right now as they are using this area for equipment storage.

Grant Meeting

Commissioner Verts will be attending a zoom meeting on September 8th to learn about potential grants the borough can apply for.

5G Technology

Commissioner Verts is still talking to Zone Officer Chris Rearick regarding the new 5G technology bill. The main questions include how does the borough limit or direct where these wireless facilities go, and how does the borough collect revenue from them. The borough must act soon if they want to change the zoning ordinance regarding 5G. Commissioners noted that they also wanted to revise the PRD section of the zoning ordinance if they were going to make changes to the wireless technology section, as a public hearing would have to be held and they could change both sections at once.

Solar Leasing Meeting

Commissioner Verts was unable to attend the solar leasing meeting. She has called and emailed Pennsylvania University in order to get the webinar recording, but no one has answered back.

Zoning Hearing Board

Commissioner Himmelstein reported that the Zoning Hearing Board organizational meeting on August 12th went well. Pastor Bob Martin was nominated to chair the Board. Zoning Officer Chris Rearick attended the meeting in order to advise and give information regarding rules and responsibilities. Council will need to reapprove the Hearing Board each January because terms for individuals are up each successive year on December 31st.

Community Food Donation Box

The person who was going to potentially build the food donation box cannot do it. Commissioner Mullins will follow up with Pastor Kirk to let him know. Commissioners decided not to pursue the food donation box at this time unless someone can be found to build it.

Next meeting:

The next meeting will be Thursday, October 7, 2021 at 5:30.

Agenda items for next meeting:

- Amend/approve minutes
- Amend agenda if needed
- Borough update
- 5G technology discussion

This month's assignments:

Commissioner Verts – October agenda; minutes; set up Zoom meeting; attend grant meeting, talk to Chris Rearick about 5G technology

Commissioner Himmelstein –

Commissioner Mullins –

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

Decision: Commissioner Mullins made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Himmelstein seconded.

Vote: 3.0.0