

Valencia Borough Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes

9-5-19

Commissioners Present: Torey Verts; Julie Himmelstein; John Mullins

Guests: No guests

Call to order:

The meeting of the Valencia Borough Planning Commission was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Amend/Approve Minutes:

No changes were made to the meeting minutes from 7-11-19.

Decision: Julie made the motion to accept the minutes. John seconded.

Vote: 3.0.0

Public Comments

No public comments.

New business:

August Meeting

There was no August meeting for the Valencia Borough Planning Commission due to family emergencies/unavoidable conflicts.

Fee Chart

Julie passed out the updated fee chart. She has not received any feedback from Chris yet.

Commissioners discussed whether to add information regarding building permits as residents might have questions about how to get one. It was decided to put additional information at the bottom of the chart regarding how to get a building permit through Adams Township as well as that downloads of the Valencia Borough zoning certificate and subdivision application are located on our website.

Burning Ordinance

The Planning Commission has been tasked by Council with writing a new burning ordinance for Valencia Borough. Commissioners discussed the current ordinance as well as the recent complaints regarding burning in the Borough. Commissioners also discussed issues with the current ordinance as well as goals for the new one. Commissioners reviewed burning ordinances from other local communities. Julie noted that the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection has a sample model burning ordinance for boroughs and townships. Commissioners will give their feedback to Torey on suggestions of what to include in the new ordinance. Torey will compile suggestions for a new ordinance for review at next month's meeting.

Next meeting:

The next meeting will be Thursday, October 3, 2019 at 5:30.

Agenda items for next meeting:

- Amend/approve minutes

- Review and discuss new burning ordinance

This month's assignments:

Torey – Write up meeting minutes; October agenda; Council meeting; feedback for burning ordinance

Julie – Council meeting; email fee chart table; organize Zoning Hearing Board meeting; feedback for burning ordinance

John – Feedback for burning ordinance

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Decision: Julie made the motion to adjourn the meeting. John seconded.

Vote: 3.0.0