

Minutes of the Meeting of
Borough of Trappe Planning Commission
Trappe Borough Hall
June 20, 2023

Call to Order – M. Schaffer called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: R. Rahmer, B. Bechtel, and M. Schaffer

Members Absent: T. Pammer and E. Wismer

Also, present: M. Dolny and visitors

M. Dolny noted that sadly the Borough Council has excepted Jack Washeleski's resignation since he has relocated out of Trappe Borough. The Borough Council has appointed Brian Bechtel to serve the remainder of his term.

Vice Chairman M. Schaffer opened nominations for Chairman, with the position now vacated. R. Rahmer nominated M. Schaffer, with no other nominations.

Motion to approve:

Motion: R. Rahmer

Seconded: B. Bechtel

Approved: 3-0

M. Schaffer opened nominations for Vice - Chairman, now that he will serve as Chairman. B. Bechtel nominated R. Rahmer, with no other nominations.

Motion to approve:

Motion: B. Bechtel

Seconded: R. Rahmer

Approved: 3-0

The minutes of the February 21, 2023 Planning Commission meeting were distributed and reviewed.

Motion to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2023 meeting:

Motion: R. Rahmer

Seconded: B. Bechtel

Approved: 3-0

Review of Sketch Plan for 56 W. 7th Avenue

The following comments were provided:

- Lot 11 of the plan is the original house, and there is a matter of what would be identified as the front of the house. This is relevant due to the meeting of setbacks, the Commission is open to whatever is needed as long as minimum regulations are met. Was noted that they would think tearing down and matching the development would be the better course of action.

- Lot 6 would need to be viewed as a flag lot and thus would require a waiver, this was assuming the property wouldn't be needed for further storm water management.
- Largest concern revolves around the management of Stormwater, as percolation testing did not yield results as favorable as hoped. The applicant's intention is some form of release after retention into Rambo Park as it naturally drains, the Planning Commission would expect to see substantial contributions or remediation in Rambo Park to help handle this direction of the water flow.

Public Forum:

M. Whitman asked if this was the last piece of land that can be subdivided? M. Dolny stated that this is one of the last bigger parcels but there is still the possibility for smaller subdivisions in the future. If property owners wish to proceed in that direction. However he believes at this point the only option for any remaining development in Trappe is for single family homes.

Next Planning Commission meeting will be scheduled for Aug 22, 2023 at 7:00PM

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcus V. Dolny, Secretary