

Assistant Township Manager, Jamie Worman called the Organizational Meeting of the Franconia Township Planning Commission to order at 7:02 p.m. on Monday, January 9th, 2012. Planning Commission Members present included Gerald Delong, Doug Worley, Keith Kneipp, Kyle Koffel, Robert Yothers, and Patricia Alderfer. Jean Holland from the Montgomery County Planning Commission and Township Engineer, Cindy Van Hise, were also present for this meeting. Kerrin Musselman was absent from the meeting (excused).

Ms. Worman accepted nominations for the position of Planning Commission Chairman. Mr. Yothers made a motion to nominate Mr. Gerald Delong as chairman. Mr. Worley seconded the motion. The motion passed. Mr. Delong then presided over the remainder of the organizational and regular meeting. Mr. Delong accepted nominations for the position of Planning Commission Vice Chairman. Mr. Yothers made a motion to nominate Mr. Doug Worley and Mr. Kneipp seconded the motion. The motion passed. Mr. Delong then accepted nominations for the position of Planning Commission Secretary. Mr. Yothers made a motion to nominate Mr. Kyle Koffel. Mr. Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed. The Organizational Meeting came to a close at 7:06 p.m. and the Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Worley made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 3rd, 2011 regular meeting. Mr. Kneipp seconded the motion. The motion passed.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

OLD BUSINESS

NO OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

NO NEW BUSINESS

ZONING HEARING BOARD APPLICATIONS

Ms. Worman reported that Jill and Brent Stouffer and Shaun Froshour have made application to the Zoning Hearing Board requesting a variance and interpretation of Section 145-139 and 145-18 A.1 of the Franconia Township Zoning Code pertaining to use, lot size and setback requirements of an existing commercial building for use by Paw-itively Healthy, LLC which provides daytime and overnight dog services. Ms. Worman reported that the property is located at 724 Morwood Road in the RR district which is the Rural Resource Residential District of the Township. Mr. DeLong questioned whether the Board of Supervisors had weighed in on the application. Ms. Worman replied that there is no formal opposition from the Board of Supervisors at this time. She did add that the applicants are currently using the property as a dog kennel and are doing so without the appropriate approvals. She informed the board that the hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, January 11th, 2012.

OTHER BUSINESS

NO OTHER BUSINESS

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next regularly scheduled Planning Commission meeting is Monday, February 6th, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. There was no further business discussed at the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie P. Worman, Assistant Township Manager