

SMITHFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 30, 2020

A Special Meeting of the Smithfield Township Board of Supervisors (“Board”) was held on June 30, 2020, at the Smithfield Township Municipal Center, at 1155 Red Fox Rd, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301, and via Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Present are Supervisors Brian Barrett (by phone), Robert Lovenheim, Jacob Pride, and Solicitor Ron Karasek.

1. Vice Chair Robert Lovenheim calls the meeting to order at 7:01PM. A quorum is present.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance is recited.
3. Minutes
 - a. Jacob Pride motions to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2020 Work Session, Brian Barrett seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.
4. Public Comments on the Agenda – none.
5. Public Hearings
 - a. Proposed Amendment to Section 305.4 (1) of the Smithfield Township Zoning Ordinance Chapter 27. Ron Karasek explains the ordinance currently permits 10% off-street parking between the right-of-way and building. This amendment would increase that to 20%. Robert Lovenheim motions to approve Ordinance 235, Jacob Pride seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries. [This motion is confirmed at the close of Public Hearing b.]
 - b. Proposed Multiple Amendments Section 305 of the Smithfield Township Zoning Ordinance Chapter 27. Doug Olmstead explains these changes accommodate mixed-use structures. Ron Karasek states the Monroe County Planning Commission believes this style of development is more consistent with the mixed-use development option. The ordinance was advertised in the local newspaper, available at the Monroe County Law Library, and copies were available for review at the township building.

Ron Karasek states single family dwellings (SFDs) are still a permitted use. He suggests adopting the ordinance as is, and removing SFDs as a permitted use in a future amendment; the Board concurs. Doug Olmstead agrees with the removal of SFDs. Jamie DePetris has no intention of building SFDs. Jacob Pride motions to adopt Ordinance 236, Robert Lovenheim seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries. Jacob Pride motions to close the hearing, Brian Barrett seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.

Jacob Pride motions to confirm the adoption of Ordinance Nos. 235 and 236, Robert Lovenheim seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.

6. New Business

- a. Brian Barrett mentions the VFW Request. Jacob Pride states this is on the agenda for tomorrow's meeting.
- b. Marshall's Falls. The Board discusses security guards and property acquisition. The Board will discuss these items further at tomorrow's meeting.

7. Bills to be Paid

- a. Jacob Pride discusses the bills. Brian Barrett motions to approve bills at \$55,960.63; Robert Lovenheim seconds. Vote: all in favor; motion carries.

8. Public Comment - none

9. Jacob Pride motions to adjourn, Brian Barrett seconds. Vote: all in favor; meeting adjourned at 7:25PM.

Minutes recorded by Julia Heilakka

Respectfully submitted:

Brian Barrett, Township Secretary