

FRENCHTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
August 15, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll call: Kraig Yoas Dennis Staelgraeve Fred Calkins
Ignazio Cuccia Paul Thoma Hillary Venier
Brian Dotson

Also present: Mark Mathe, Mannik & Smith Group, Township Engineer Representative
Mario Ortega, McKenna Associates, Township Planning Consultant
Natalie Askar, Planning Commission Recording Secretary

0 interested citizens

A quorum being present, Chairman Ignazio Cuccia called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. This meeting was held under the Open Meetings Act.

All those present were requested by Chairperson Cuccia to rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item No. 1 Agenda Approval.

Motion

Moved By: Kraig Yoas Supported By: Hillary Venier

A motion was made to approve the agenda as amended and presented.

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Item No. 2 Minutes of July 18, 2019 Meeting.

Motion

Moved By: Dennis Staelgraeve Supported By: Hillary Venier

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the July 18, 2019 Planning Commission meeting as presented.

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Item No. 3 Review & Discussion - Zoning Ordinance Amendment: Outdoor Lighting.

Mr. Ortega presented the proposed changes to Zoning Ordinance 200 Section 4.38 on Outdoor Lighting.

The Commission discussed.

Motion

Moved By: Brian Dotson

Supported By: Kraig Yoas

A motion was made to recommend to the Township Board the proposed changes to Zoning Ordinance 200 Section 4.38 on Outdoor Lighting as presented.

Roll Call: Cuccia – Yes, Yoas – Yes, Staelgraeve – Yes,
Thoma – Yes, Dotson– Yes, Calkins – Yes,
Venier – Yes.

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7 - Yes votes, 0 - No votes

Item No. 4 Review & Discussion: Zoning Ordinance – Solar Panels.

Mario Ortega, McKenna Associates, presented the Zoning Ordinance 200 Section 4.39 regarding Solar Panels.

The Commission discussed.

Motion

Moved By: Dennis Staelgraeve

Supported By: Fred Calkins

A motion was made to table to next months meeting in order to give time to do more research.

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Item No. 5 Old Business.

Website update
Parcel on Stewart update
Hotels on N. Dixie update

Item No. 6 New Business.

There were no citizens remaining to open the floor for questions, comments or concerns to the Planning Commission.

Item No. 7 Administrative Reviews Update/Chairperson.

Ignazio Cuccia, Planning Commission Chairperson, informed the Commission of the items proposed to be on next month’s agenda.

- Sign Ordinance Waiver – Fast Signs/Frenchtown Liquor.
- Solar Panel Ordinance Section 4.39

- **Mini Committee:** none
- **ZBA:** front porch variance

Item No. 8 Adjournment.

Motion

Moved By: Dennis Staelgraeve

Supported By: Hillary Venier

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

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