



THORNBURY TOWNSHIP DELAWARE COUNTY Planning Commission

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Thornbury Township Planning Commission 2022 Annual Report

A. ORGANIZATION: (4 year term):

1. The Planning Commission Members for 2022:

James Quinn, Jr., Chairman	term expires 12/25
Robert Ferrara, Vice Chairman	term expires 12/23
James Bulkley	term expires 12/25
Kenneth Zitarelli	term expires 12/24
James Falcone	term expires 12/24
John Ibach	term expires 12/24
Samuel Yim	term expires 12/22

2. Staff:

Land Planner:	Wayne W. Grafton, AICP
Township Engineer:	Michael Ciocco, P.E.
Solicitor:	James Byrne, Jr., Esq.
Secretary:	Deborah Zitarelli

3. Meetings: The Planning Commission scheduled meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. Meetings scheduled in January, February, May, July, and October were cancelled.

B. SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT:

1. Sketch, Preliminary, Final, and Conditional Use Plans (Alphabetical order):

a. Cheyney University Deferred Maintenance Preliminary Land Development Plan Foster Parking Lot Expansion

- Proposed to reconstruct and expand an existing parking lot which serves the Foster Student Union
- PC discussed on 9/14/22: location, the new sports complex project, various improvements, erosion controls, paving, and stormwater management, and landscaping/lighting

- Status: Discussion to continue upon receipt of revised plans

b. D'Antonio Sketch Plan – Minor Subdivision

251 Glen Mills Rd.

- Proposed subdividing a 4.5-acre parcel from his 7-acre lot.
- PC discussed on 3/9/22: a new driveway, riparian buffer requirements, steep slopes, sight distance, and tree replacement
- PC discussed the applicant's Preliminary/Final revised plans, 11/9/22: tree replacement, perk testing, rain garden and easement, historic resource study, stormwater testing, use of Long Lane, possible use of public sewer, and stormwater management
- Status: Discussion to continue upon receipt of revised plans.

c. O'Kane Land Development Preliminary/Final Plan

15 Tanguy Rd.

- Proposed replacing existing house with new house, driveway, and pole barn
- Discussion was held on 7/8/20, 11/11/20, and 12/9/20
- PC discussed and recommended approval of revised plans 11/10/21
- Status: BOS approved 2/16/22, Resolution 2022-7

d. Urbany, Preliminary/Final Minor Land Development

2 Derry Dr.

Barn and Improvements

- Proposed a barn and additions to the house
- Discussion began 12/14/22: Use of the property accessing the new barn, utilities, lighting, landscaping, and grading were discussed
- Status: Awaiting revised plans

e. VMDT Partnership – Preliminary/Final Land Development

282 and 286 Dilworthtown Road

- Discussion began 5/11/16
- PC recommended denial 6/8/16
- BOS approved Settlement Agreement 10/16/19
- PC discussed the plans 11/10/21
- PC discussed changes in the settlement agreement, 12/14/22
- PC recommended denial to the BOS, 12/14/22
- Status: Awaiting revised plans

2. Plans With Extensions:

a. Adler

31 Dilworthtown Rd.

- Subdivision of 14.44 acres into 6 lots
- Subdivision plan submitted 10/1/99 and 1/4/00
- Last discussed in 2000
- Status: – Open Extension

b. Craig

1525 Wilmington-West Chester Pike

- Subdivision plan submitted 2/26/90
- Last discussed in 1990
- Status: - Open Extension

c. Daniels, Final Minor Subdivision

425 Thornton Rd.

- Subdivide a 5-acre parcel into 2 lots
- Plan submitted 10/14/15, 5/23/16, and 8/8/16
- Discussions were held throughout 2015 and 2016
- PC discussed sketch plan 7/8/15
- PC recommended approval of Revised Preliminary Plan 7/13/16
- BOS approved Preliminary Plan 7/20/16, Resolution 2016-11
- PC recommended approval of Final Plan 9/14/16
- Status: Awaiting updated recording plans/agreements for signature

d. Edward Lawlor

4 Sweetbriar La.

- Subdivide property into 2 lots
- Subdivision plan submitted 7/31/12
- Last discussed 9/12/12
- Status: Extension to 2/21/23, awaiting revised plans

3. Inactive Plans:

a. Redding, Sketch Plan

158 Locksley Rd.

- Subdivide 9.7 acres into 3 lots
- PC previously discussed 4/11/12
- Discussed newly submitted updated Sketch Plan 1/14/15
- Discussion continued 10/11/17
- Status: Inactive: Pending receipt of plans with alternate layouts after Welsh La. right-of-way, owner's rights to Welsh La. and number of permitted driveways are determined

b. Dittmer, Minor Subdivision Sketch Plan
40 Westtown Rd.

- Proposed 2-lot subdivision
- Discussion began 2/12/20
- Status: Discussion will resume upon receipt of updated plans

c. KCH LLC, Subdivision Sketch Plan
50 Dilworthtown Rd.

- Proposed 7 lot subdivision on an 18-acre site
- Discussion began 2/12/20
- Status: Discussion will resume upon receipt of application. Applicant has opted for timber harvest on the property.

C. ORDINANCES (Alphabetical Order):

1. Cluster Ordinance

- Joint meeting w/BOS 4/22/09
- PC recommended adoption 6/10/09
- Last discussed – 2009
- Status: Inactive

2. Comprehensive Plan

- On the PC agenda 11/10/21, but no discussion took place
- Discussion resumed on 4/13/22 with updates regarding population and housing; and how the pandemic affected population and housing numbers in the Township
- On the PC agenda 6/8/22, but no discussion took place
- Status: Awaiting updated figures and draft ordinance before discussion continues

3. Outdoor Dining Ordinance, continued from 6/11/14:

- Discussion resumed on 3/9/22 at the request of the Board of Supervisors to review their draft. PC discussed: possible requirements, lighting/landscaping, outdoor fireplaces, and music/entertainment
- Discussion resumed on 4/13/22
- PC recommended adoption 4/13/22
- PC discussed Delaware County Planning Department's 5/19/22 review and the Board of Supervisor's updated draft, 6/8/22
- PC recommended adoption of the revised draft in accordance with the Delaware County Planning Department's 5/19/22 staff recommendations, 6/8/22

- BOS held a hearing on 7/20/22
- Status: BOS adopted via Conditional Use on 7/20/22, Ordinance 2022-2

4. Neighborhood District Ordinance

- Recommendation in 2007 to the Board of Supervisors to consider the drafting of a Neighborhood District Ordinance and to request input from the Board of Supervisors as to the Board's concurrence and support of the ordinance
- Last discussed - 2007
- Status: Inactive

5. Pipeline Regulations

- Discussion began 12/10/14
- Discussion was held on new materials presented in 2015 and 2016
- PC sent draft Zoning Ordinance Amendment and draft (SALDO) Subdivision & Land Development Ordinance Amendment to BOS for review 7/13/16
- Status: Inactive

6. Sign Ordinance (Update)

- Discussion began 1/13/16
- PC recommended adoption (last revised 3/4/16) 4/13/16
- PC recommended adoption (last revised 5/9/16) 6/8/16
- Status: Inactive

7. Steep Slopes Ordinance

- PC recommended adoption, 1/26/06
- Ordinance marked up, 9/12/06
- Supervisor Sgro submitted list of questions, 11/1/06
- PC requested clarification from Supervisor Uradnisheck and BOS Solicitor, Bob Anderman, on some items, 12/28/06
- PC requested joint meeting with BOS to discuss, 10/16/07
- PC recommended adoption again, 7/8/09
- Last discussed - 2009
- Status: Inactive

8. Stormwater Ordinance Amendments

- PC discussed various amendments along with Mr. Ciocco's comments in his 8/4/22 review letter, 8/10/22
- PC recommended adoption, 8/10/22
- BOS held a hearing 9/21/22
- Status: BOS adopted 9/21/22, Ordinance 2022-3

9. Stormwater Improvements: Small Water/Sewer Grant Application

- PC discussed the \$500,000 water/sewer grant
- PC voted to execute the grant application letter
- Status: Mr. Quinn executed the grant application letter

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Zitarelli
Planning Commission Secretary

cc: Planning Commission Members
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