

CONEWAGO TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
ADAMS COUNTY
541 OXFORD AVENUE, HANOVER, PA 17331
April 6, 2023

*NOTICE—Notice is given that the Conewago Township Planning Commission will hold its next regularly scheduled meeting as previously advertised, **IN PERSON**, on April 6, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the Conewago Township Municipal Building, 541 Oxford Avenue, Hanover, PA 17331. For the convenience of the public who cannot attend the meeting in person, the meeting will also be livestreamed through Facebook. Please see the Township’s website for the Facebook user name and URL. The agenda for the meeting will be posted to the Township’s website, www.conewagotwp.us.*

1. COMMENCE OF THE REGULAR MEETING

The Meeting of the Planning Commission for April 6, 2023 was called to order by Mrs. Gouker at 6:00 PM in the Conewago Township Administration Building at 541 Oxford Avenue, Hanover, PA.

The following Planning Commission Members were in attendance:

Alisha Gouker, Chair Person
John Strevig, Vice Chair Person
Richard Neiderer
Tom Sheaffer - Absent
Tom Klunk - Absent

The following individuals were also in attendance:

David Arndt, Jr., Township Manager/Zoning Officer
Nate Simpson, Township Engineer, CS Davidson, Inc.

There was 3 persons in the audience.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There was no public comment

3. MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING

Planning Commission, Regular Meeting Minutes from 2/2/2023, for adoption. There was no March meeting.

Mr. Strevig made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Neiderer, to approve the February 2, 2023 regular meeting minutes as written.

Vote: 3-0

- SALDO Report dated March 29, 2023 was acknowledged.

4. SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

■ Adams County Heritage – Jenna Smith, Adams County Office of Planning

Jenna Smith was present to give an update on the Adams County Comprehensive Plan. Jenna stated the plan was adopted in 1991 and updated in 1998, 2001, and 2010. The current Comp Plan outlines many goals and objectives related to historic preservation and heritage related planning, some specifically related to assisting municipalities. The goals of her being at this meeting is to discuss thoughts and/or concerns regarding historic resources within Conewago Township. Currently the Conewago Chapel building is the only registered historical site in Conewago Township. Four other properties including the Devine Chapel Farm located at 509 Church Street, Emeco Factory building located at 805 W Elm Avenue, Henry Hostetter Farm located at 326 Sunday Drive, and the Poist Chapel Farm located on Oxford Avenue are properties within the township that are eligible to be entered into the National Registered Historical Preservation. Jenna asked the board to contact her if there may be other properties within the township that should be looked at to see if they may qualify.

The board thanked Jenna for attending the meeting.

■ **Conewago Township Zoning Ordinance Amendment to Sections 155-129(D) and 155-135(F)**

There was some discussion regarding buffering from residential areas. The board wants to protect the residential areas from the possibility of truck noise. There was some discussion about updating the townships buffer requirements for warehouses and truck terminals. Mr. Neiderer made a request for the Board of Supervisors to look at the buffer requirements in the SALDO and Zoning Ordinances and to amend them accordingly to protect the residential areas from industrial buildings.

Mr. Strevig made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Neiderer, to recommend approval of the ordinance amendment as written however requests the Board of Supervisors to look at the buffer requirements when the SALDO and Zoning Ordinances are being updated.

Vote: 3-0

5. OTHER BUSINESS

6. NEW BUSINESS

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ▶ Public Safety meeting – 4.12.2023 at 8:30 AM.
- ▶ Finance & Operations meeting – 4.12.2023 at 9:30 AM
- ▶ Board of Supervisors workshop meeting – 4.17.2023 at 5:30 PM.
- ▶ Board of Supervisors meeting – 4.17.2023 at 6:30 PM.
- ▶ Zoning Hearing Board meeting – 5.3.2023 at 6:00 PM.
- ▶ Planning Commission meeting – 5.4.2023 at 6:00 PM.

A motion to adjourn at 6:52 PM was made by Mr. Strevig, with the motion to adjourn seconded by Mr. Neiderer.

Vote: 3-0

Respectfully submitted,

David Arndt, Jr.
Township Manager/Zoning Officer