

MINUTES
November 12, 2024

The monthly meeting of the Monroe County Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at the Monroe County Planning Commission's conference room, Stroudsburg, PA. The meeting was called to order by Annette Atkinson at 5:00 p.m.

Members present were: Annette Atkinson, Chris Borger, Roger McFadden, Charles Vogt, and Rich Schlameuss. Nicole Murray appeared via teleconference.

Others present were: David Parker, Commissioner; James Fareri, Solicitor; and Nate Oiler, Engineer.

Monroe County Planning Commission Staff members: Eric Koopman, Lead Senior Planner; Nathaniel Staruch, Infrastructure Planner, Julia Sherer, Senior Environmental Planner.

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. McFadden and seconded by Mr. Schlameuss to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2024 board meeting. Motion carried with Mr. Vogt abstaining.

OVERVIEW OF SUBMITTED PLANS AND AMENDMENTS

SUBDIVISION PLANS

Mr. Koopman provided information to the board on subdivision plans. Copies of the subdivision plan reviews and comments are on file in the Planning Commission office

A motion was made by Mr. Vogt and seconded by Mr. Schlameuss to approve the review comments for the subdivision plans as previously submitted to the respective municipalities for consideration during their decision making process. Motion carried.

LAND DEVELOPMENT PLANS

Mr. Koopman and Mr. Staruch provided information to the board on land development plans. Copies of the land development plan reviews and comments are on file in the Planning Commission office.

A motion was made by Mr. Schlameuss and seconded by Mr. Borger to approve the review comments for the land development plans as previously submitted, and amended, to the respective municipalities for consideration during their decision making process. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

Mr. Koopman provided information to the board on ordinance amendments. Copies of the Ordinance Amendments and comments are on file in the Planning Commission office.

A motion was made by Mr. Borger and seconded by Mr. Vogt to approve the review comments for the ordinance amendments as previously submitted, and amended, to the respective municipalities for consideration during their decision making process. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Koopman informed the board of Municipal Roundtable Discussion concerning Short-Term Rentals scheduled for November 19th at the Emergency Operations Center. The roundtable will provided insight into local trends and issues related to this specific land use. The county treasurer, controller, and planning commission will facilitate the meeting with various municipal officials.

Ms. Murray then informed the board of the upcoming 'More Front Doors' Pocono Housing Summit to be held on November 20 at Kalahari resorts. The purpose of the summit is to address housing issues throughout the local area. Discussion followed.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Vogt and seconded by Ms. Atkinson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Annette Atkinson, Chairman

Eric Koopman, Lead Senior Planner