

MINUTES
June 11, 2024

The monthly meeting of the Monroe County Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at the Monroe County Planning Commission's conference room, Stroudsburg, PA. The meeting was called to order by Annette Atkinson at 5:12 p.m.

Members present were: Annette Atkinson, Charles Vogt; Chris Borger; Roger McFadden, Nicole Murray, Rich Schlameuss and Troy Nauman.

Others present were: Nate Oiler, Engineer; James Fareri, Solicitor. Alex Jackson, county resident.

Monroe County Planning Commission Staff members: Christine Meinhart-Fritz, Director; Eric Koopman, Lead Senior Planner; Danielle Zuk, Planner; Julia Sherer, Community Planner; Nate Staruch, Infrastructure Planner.

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Vogt and seconded by Mr. Schlameuss to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2024 board meeting. Motion carried.

OVERVIEW OF SUBMITTED PLANS AND AMENDMENTS

SUBDIVISION PLANS

Mr. Staruch 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. Borger and seconded by Mr. McFadden 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 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. McFadden and seconded by Ms. Murray 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.

STAFF REPORTS

Ms. Sherer informed the board of the completion of our annual water quality study and explained what techniques are used and that the 2022 and 2023 studies are now complete. Mr. Staruch presented and explained the story map and advised this will also be posted on our website.

Ms. Murray informed the board that housing inventory has gone up and the housing median is around \$300,000.00. She also advised that the relators association have been receiving a lot of calls regarding property setbacks, water quality and the need for more housing. Ms. Murray also advised they are seeing a lot of lawsuits in regards to short term rentals.

Ms. Meinhart informed the board that we are assisting four municipalities in regards to the possible renaming of the Sambo and Little Sambo Creek and that we are creating an ESRI Survey 123 that will be posted for the public in the near future.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Vogt and seconded by Mr. Schlameuss to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Annette Atkinson, Chairman

Eric Koopman, Lead Senior Planner