

**MINUTES**  
**October 8, 2024**

The monthly meeting of the Monroe County Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, October 8, 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, Troy Nauman, and Rich Schlameuss. Nicole Murray and Charles Vogt appeared via teleconference.

Others present were: James Fareri, Solicitor; Dawn Eilber; Cynthia Gregor; Victoria Johnson; Alex Jackson.

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

**APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Nauman and seconded by Mr. Schlameuss to approve the minutes of the September 10, 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. McFadden and seconded by Mr. Borger 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. Borger 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.

**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. Nauman 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**

A motion was made by Mr. Schlameuss and seconded by Ms. Atkinson to approve Craig Todd staying on the Conservation District Board. Motion carried.

Mr. Koopman informed the board of a new survey developed by the planning commission for the Rivers Edge Bike Park in Smithfield Township. The survey is to provide general feedback from park visitors and gather information regarding what improvements they would like to see. As of the meeting, 50 responses have been collected.

Ms. Murray then provided an update of real estate trends within the county. The median home price in the county was approximately \$310,000 and the average price was \$338,000. Discussion followed.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. McFadden and seconded by Mr. Vogt to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

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Annette Atkinson, Chairman

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Eric Koopman, Lead Senior Planner