

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

****MINUTES****

JULY 11, 2023

The Dallas Township Planning Commission held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 7:00pm in the Administration Building located at 105 Lt. Michael Cleary Drive, Dallas, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

ATTENDANCE

The following individuals present were: **(Chairman)** Jack Dodson, **(Members)** Robert Besecker, Jr., Charles Kishbaugh, Dan Jones, Randy Perry, **(Alternate)** Ryan Stoa, **(Solicitor)** William J. McCall, **(Twp., Engineer)** Thomas J. Doughton, **(Zoning Officer)** Russ Coolbaugh, **(Secretary/Treasurer)** Tammy Miller and **(Twp. Manager)** Martin Barry, **Administrative Assistant** Kim Landmesser set up Facebook Live to allow additional residents to participate in the meeting. In attendance via Go To Meeting / phone included: **0**.

Approval of Minutes and Treasurer's Report:

Chairman Dodson opened the July meeting followed by the pledge of allegiance. C. Kishbaugh made a motion to approve the **Minutes** from June 13, 2023 Meeting and **Treasurer's Report** from June, 2023. R. Perry second the motion. Motion carried.

Yalick Farms – Yearly update. Chairman Dodson said no one has showed up, so we will continue this until the next meeting, which will be August 8, 2023.

Solicitor McCall asked Secretary Miller, if she received a response from Mr. Connolly? Secretary Miller said yes, but didn't think Mr. Connolly would be coming, due to a prior engagement. He did say he will check on the status of Mr. Dunford's whereabouts to see if he would be able to attend.

Chairman Dodson asked Township Manager, M. Barry regarding Yalick Farms, if they had signed their sewer system over to DAMA. M. Barry stated they are supposed to, but have not, as of yet. They still have two (2) deficiencies. Chairman Dodson asked can they continue building while that's not done? M. Barry said no. DAMA will not issue any more sewer permits. Dodson stated they are still building, but he believes they were given the permits prior to. M. Barry stated whatever is being built right now was previously approved and had sewer permits already. To his understanding they have to present to planning what their as-built is and what their intentions are for future construction. DAMA will not issue any permits for sewer hook-up until they take care of the system and then identify what they want to do for future. Rusty and the moratorium cannot issue building permits unless there is a sewer permit.

Solicitor McCall stated to Secretary Miller you should send them a letter, indicating that were sorry we didn't have the opportunity to meet with them. In the interest of the township as well as the applicant we look forward to seeing you on August 8, 2023 at 7pm. Secretary Miller, stated she had already emailed them a letter.

Solicitor McCall stated he has a matter before the Planning Commission. **Fellowship Church** – the confirmation that he has received from Planning Commission Secretary Ms. Miller and Township Engineer Mr. Doughton that Fellowship Church has complied with all technical and engineering requirements contained in the various reviews from Mr. Doughton and our office has done. Mr. McCall said he communicated with their counsel earlier today and indicated that he had reviewed minutes of meetings of this commission, since Fellowship Church became a matter on our agenda and has found no record of any approval... conditional, preliminary, final at all. McCall said he made note there was one (1) request for a conditional approval, but there were many requirements that were still outstanding that had not been complied with at that time. The commission said they will see them next month, until they had things in order.

We received from Mr. Piatt that all technical issues have been addressed and for this commission to please consider voting. Chairman Dodson asked McCall you talked with Tom, right; everything is addressed? Mr. McCall said yes, he talked with Tom. McCall stated this is from Mr. Piatt, by which on behalf of his client he is requesting the

Planning Commission to vote. Chairman Dodson said that's for Final Plan Approval on the Church Parking Lot expansion. McCall said yes.

Solicitor McCall stated he is recommending to the commission, that in light of all matters have been addressed and at Attorney Piatt's request that the planning commission consider providing final plan approval for the fellowship church and development plan.

Motion was made by R. Besecker, Jr. for **Final Plan Approval** and seconded by R. Perry. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Next Meeting: August 8, 2023 at 7pm.

ADJOURN:

R. Perry made a **Motion to adjourn**, seconded by C. Kishbaugh and carried.
The Meeting adjourned at 7:13pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammy L. Miller
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Secretary / Treasurer