



The Town of Fenwick Island

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PLANNING COMMISSION NOVEMBER 13, 2018 AT 1:00 PM

MINUTES

In Attendance

Winnie Lewis, Steve Carey, Faye Horner, Nancy Kushela, Jack Smith, Lois Twilley

Absent

Richard Mais

Also in Attendance

Terry Tieman, Linda Martin

Winnie called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Lois, seconded by Steve, to accept the minutes from the July 10, 2018 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion

Terry confirmed that the Comprehensive Plan Annual Report is due in July.

Terry mentioned that the Building Committee is being eliminated for residential project approval, but will remain for commercial projects for now. There was a suggestion of either combining the Building Committee and Planning Commission to approve commercial projects, or have the Planning Commission approve alone, since in most communities (as in Millsboro, Millville, and Selbyville), the Planning Commission approves both residential and commercial projects. Winnie asked if the Planning Commission starts approving plans, will everyone be made aware of the process to approve permits. Terry responded yes.

Winnie asked about the status of the Dairy Queen. Terry replied that they will remain open for at least another year.

Faye questioned about the status of the Sands Motel demolition. Terry responded that an asbestos abatement was completed, but a demolition application has not been received by the Town.

Terry mentioned that the November 3rd DeIDOT Workshop in regards to sidewalk installation was a huge success, with several good comments and business participation. Nancy questioned if the sidewalks would be installed on both sides of Route 1. Terry responded yes, with the project being completed in phases. Lois commented that several years ago when the sidewalk installation was addressed, it was also mentioned that a rope railing along the sidewalk would be installed to give Fenwick Island a "sea" appearance. Terry noted that it is not in the plans to install a rope railing, but possibly the Town could apply for a grant to have the installation of rope railing, especially for certain areas with safety issues. Winnie asked if Bunting Avenue would also have sidewalks installed. Terry responded maybe in the future.

Lois questioned if the drainage problem at the corner of Route 54 and Route 1 is being addressed. Terry responded that she recently had a meeting with DelDOT on an installation of a pipe to resolve the drainage problem. They are currently researching who owns the property in front of the water park off of Route 54, where the pipe would be installed to flow the water to the bay.

Jack asked if an owner is allowed to build up their lot/elevation. Terry responded yes, through approval of the Sussex Conservation District.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on February 12, 2019 at 1:00 PM.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Jack, seconded by Faye, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 1:33 PM.