



TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

2014 MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 13, 2014 **Time:** 7:00 p.m. **Place:** Township Municipal Building
Members Present: Connie Bieling – Chairperson; Rick Mertz – Vice-Chairperson; Board Members – David Beers, David DelGrosso, Jim Shafer, George White; Brenda Drew – Secretary; Jenny Cheng – Solicitor; Carl Faust – Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer.
Members Excused: Greg Haas - Township Engineer.
Visitors: Bruce Steigerwalt, Dick Bieling, Rolf Windhorn, Melanie Windhorn.

	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag	None	The Planning Commission meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
Reorganize Planning Commission	None	Motion made by Connie Bieling to nominate a temporary chairperson for the purpose of appointing 2014 chair/vice-chair. Rick Mertz nominated David Beers, seconded by David DelGrosso. A.I.F. David Beers, acting as temporary chair, nominated Connie Bieling as chair of the 2014 Planning Commission, seconded by Rick Mertz. A.I.F. David Beer nominated Rick Mertz as vice-chair of the 2014 Planning Commission, seconded by Jim Shafer. A.I.F.
Approval of the Minutes: Approval of October 13, 2013 Towamensing Township Planning Commission minutes.	There was no meeting in November. December's meeting had no quorum and no discussion.	Motion made by Rick Mertz to approve the minutes from October 13, 2013, seconded by George White. A.I.F.
Public Participation:	None	None
Old Business: Frederick and Nancy Collins Sub-division presented by Rudy Wolfe	Subdivision extension continues until April 3, 2014.	None
New Business: First Baptist Church Reverse Subdivision Plan/Rolf & Melanie Windhorn	Description of plan read aloud by Connie Bieling. The plan is to consolidate lots 2 & 3 into the single lot 2A. Adjoining Lot 1 is also owned by the Windhorns and contains a residence. This plan meets the requirements of SALDO for a reverse subdivision. There were no issues found by Carbon County Planning Commission	Motion made by David Beers to accept the plan, seconded by David DelGrosso. A.I.F. Motion made by David Beers to approve the plan, seconded by Rick Mertz. A.I.F. Rick Mertz and David Beers signed six copies of the plans to be given to the township secretary.

	or the Township Engineer. Mr. Steigerwalt expressed the need for two signed plans to record. There was discussion of a need for clarity in the number of plans needed for submission to the township, in the future.	
Officials: Zoning Officer Report presented by Carl Faust	The Zoning Ordinance re-write is in progress with the supervisors and is approximately three-quarters complete. It must be completely done by June, 2014 or the state grant funding expires. Commission would like notice of meetings in order to have a voluntary member in attendance.	None
Discussion:	None	None
Adjournment	None	Motion made by David Beers to adjourn the Planning Commission meeting. The motion was seconded by Jim Shafer. A.I.F. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda L. Drew