



# TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

## 2017 MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** May 8, 2017

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Place:** Township Municipal Building

**Members:** Rick Mertz, Chairman; James Shafer, Vice-Chairman; Board Members - Connie Bieling-absent, George White, Dave Beers, Robert O'Donnell-absent, Robert Ziegenfus. Jenny Cheng, Solicitor-absent; Gregory Haas, Township Engineer; Carl Faust, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer - absent; Brenda Drew, Secretary.

**Guests:** Eugene Meisenhelder, Roy Christman

	<b>DISCUSSION:</b>	<b>ACTION:</b>
<b>Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag</b>	None.	The Planning Commission meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
<b>Approval of the Minutes:</b>	None.	Rick Mertz called for a motion to approve the April 10, 2017 meeting minutes. James Shafer made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by George White. All in favor.
<b>Public Participation:</b>	Eugene Meisenhelder asked advice on subdividing a parcel on Laurel Lane into 2 parcels.	Greg Haas advised Mr. Meisenhelder to purchase copies of the Zoning Ordinance and SALDO to familiarize himself with the Minor Subdivision process in our Township, along with passing on his own contact information.
<b>Old Business:</b>  Jeffrey & Melissa Hall Reverse Subdivision	Greg Haas reported that all review comments had been satisfactorily addressed.	Rick Mertz called for a motion to recommend a waiver of the plan scale to the Board of Supervisors. Dave Beers made said motion, seconded by James Shafer. All in favor. Rick Mertz called for a motion to recommend Final Plan approval to the Board of Supervisors. James Shafer made said motion, seconded by George White. All in favor.

<p><b>New Business:</b></p> <p>Agricultural Security Area application from Joseph Strausberger of 100 Berger Street, Kunkletown.</p>	<p>Roy Christman briefly described the requirements and benefits to landowners who join Agricultural Security.</p> <p>The Commission reviewed the application and map.</p>	<p>Rick Mertz called for a motion to recommend approval of the application to the Board of Supervisors. Dave Beers made said motion, seconded by Robert Ziegenfus. All in favor.</p>
<p><b>Officials: Zoning Officer Report</b></p>	<p>None.</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p><b>Discussion:</b></p>	<p>George White discussed Carbon County GIS and his positive interactions with Jason Shellhammer in getting necessary corrections made to some of his property lines, etc.</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p><b>Adjournment:</b></p>	<p>None.</p>	<p>Rick Mertz called for a motion to adjourn. Dave Beers made said motion seconded by James Shafer. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.</p>

Respectfully submitted,  
Brenda L. Drew