



Borough of Lansdale
Code Enforcement and Land Planning Committee
Minutes
September 05, 2018 2018, 8:00 PM
Lansdale Borough Hall-Caucus Room
One Vine St., Lansdale, PA 19446
Chairperson: Jack Hansen

- **In Attendance:**

Jack Hansen-Chairman
Rich DiGregorio
Denton Burnell
John Ernst- Borough Manager
Patricia Chapman
Dan Sokil-North Penn Reporter

The meeting was held at One Vine St., Lansdale, Pa. Mr. Hansen called the meeting to order at 8:11 P.M. Mr. Burnell made a motion to approve Meeting Minutes from the August 01, 2018. Code Enforcement and Land Planning Committee meeting. Mr. DiGregorio seconded the motion. Minutes were unanimously approved.

- **Committee Business Items:**

No Committee Business Items to report this evening.

- **Department / Activity:**

- **Discussion of the July 2018 Department Statics:**

For the month of August the department continues to be busy. Monthly statistics attached to this evenings meeting minutes.

- **Planning Commission Report:**

43 W. Third St., Walnut Crossing: The applicant appeared before the Planning Commission at the August 20, 2018 for discussion purposes. The applicant has acquired another property and proposes to expand the footprint of the building, add additional units including ground floor occupancy install a parking/storage system and changed the shape of the building. Discussion with the members of the Planning Commission and with members of the audience expressed extreme concerns regarding the density and height of the building.

Previously the applicant received approval from the Zoning Hearing Board and Conditional Use from Lansdale Borough Council. With the proposed changes, Staff is reviewing if the applicant will be required to go through the process over again.

- **Old Business:**

- **Discussion to begin the process of Regulation of Food Trucks:**

- Research continues and Staff is working to an Ordinance to address Food Trucks. The goal is to protect the welfare of residents, prevent unwanted vending in locations that are not suitable, prevent unfair competition to existing businesses yet make use of business and support vendors.

Currently the Option of allowing Food Trucks in a particular Zoning District, Licensing Food Trucks annually and/or per an event and possibly licensing a business to hire Food Trucks on a rotating basis. All participants will be required to provide a copy of Food License from the County and have a Certificate of Insurance on file with the Borough.

- **New Business:**

- **Zoning Hearing Board Meeting September 18, 2018:**

- North Penn Water Authority requested a continuance from the August meeting. They are expected to appear at the September meeting

Commercial Fire/Safety Inspections:

Effective October 2018 the adoption of the 2015 ICC Codes does not automatically adopt the Fire Code. Currently staff is reviewing surrounding municipalities and working to determine what staffing and training requirements are necessary.

Driveway width requirements in Class A Residential Districts: The Department of Code Enforcement will work with the Montgomery County Planning Commission along with the Lansdale Borough Planning Commission to review Borough Ordinance for Driveway Apron widths. Current Code is no greater than 14 feet in width; submissions have come in requesting an additional 6 feet to accommodate a two car parking area.

Fee Schedule Evaluation: The current Fee Schedule is being reviewed and research being completed on fees of surrounding Municipalities. The last time the fee schedule was reviewed was in 2014.

Montgomery County Planning Commission – Fee Extension: Mr. Ernst discussed the extension of the contract with the Montgomery County Planning Commission at the Admin and Finance Meeting this evening. It is strongly urged the County contract

continue as the Borough of Lansdale receives professional support in assisting with numerous Ordinances and Plans such as the SaLDO and Comprehensive Plan updates.

- **Public Comment:**

Make the public aware of Satellite Dishes and the new Communications Ordinance. Suggested it start with either the Borough Website and/or Facebook.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 P.M. The next meeting of the Lansdale Borough Code Enforcement and Land Planning Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, October 03, 2018 at 8:00 P.M. Meeting will be held at One Vine St., Lansdale PA.

Respectfully,
Maria Lohan
Recording Secretary

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