### FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes – Jul. 20, 2022

#### **Commissioners in attendance:**

Dennis Robinson (Chairman), Pat Schindel (Vice Chair), JR Crushong, Bicky Redman, James McDannell, Eric Miller (Secretary)

#### Others in attendance:

Dominic Picarelli, KPI Technology; Lynda Beckwith, PMCA Assistant Zoning Officer

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by Dennis Robinson, Chairman, at 7:00pm.

#### **APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY MINUTES**

 MOTION to approve April minutes, as written, by JR Crushong, seconded by Pat Schindel. Motion carried unanimously.

### **SKETCH PLANS**

None

#### **PLANS**

### 7 Sky Farm – 305 Crooked Creek Road – Zoning Hearing

- Kathleen Reilly, owner of 7 Sky Farm, along with Eric Johnston and Phillip Frey, presented a request for a special exception to renovate a barn on the property in support of a Veterans Service Organization (VSO). The special exception would allow the barn, currently located in an area zoned for agriculture, to be used as needed for the VSO. In this configuration, the Commissioners discussed various concerns related to the development, including water drainage concerns, sewage concerns, parking and access concerns, and possible subdivision planning requirements.
- In the course of discussion, the Commissioners and presenters also discussed the
  historical permits or approvals already in place for the use of the Barn and the operation
  of the VSO at that location. This issue was unresolved, and the Commissioners
  recommended pausing consideration on the special exception request until additional
  research could be completed on past permitting activities.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Planning Commission Class in York PA - Sep 14 2022.

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- Eric Miller addressed the Planning Commission with suggestions on further developing the Commission, specifically by:
  - Building and distributing Board Binders for current and future Commissioners with historical, current, and planning documents;
  - Identifying and scheduling recurring training and development opportunities for new and future Commissioners, such as the Pennsylvania Planning Commission classes;
  - Developing a set of by-laws for the Planning Commission to ensure the Commission is meeting the responsibilities per its Charter.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

None

# **NEW BUSINESS**

None

### **GUESTS**

None

# <u>ADJOURN</u>

• Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm by Dennis Robinson, Chairman.