

# MINUTES

## **Franklin Township Planning Commission**

*June 20, 2018*

### **In attendance:**

Dennis Robinson, Pat Schindel, Gary Deardorff, Bic Redman, JR Crushong & Mary Lower

Also present: Dominic Picarelli from KPI Technology Inc.

The meeting was called to order by Dennis Robinson at 7 pm.

### **Approval of May 2018 Planning Commission Minutes**

**MOTION** by Redman, seconded by Deardorff to approve the May minutes. Motion carried.

### **Guests & Old Business:**

#### **Tom Kalathas** – Mini-Storage Units – Chambersburg Road – Commercial Zone

Proposal is to construct seventy-two mini-storage units on a 2.52 +/- acre parcel.

We briefly reviewed KPI Technology's comments dated June 20, 2018. Robinson read the Adams County Conservation District's comments regarding the E&S plan being deemed inadequate. We have not received Adams County comments for review.

**MOTION** by Schindel, seconded by Redman to table the discussion until the next meeting. Motion carried.

#### **Eric Johnston** – Johnston and Associates – Mummasburg and Crooked Creek Rd. – Ag Zone

Consulting engineer, representing clients **Frank and Loni Buck**. Concept plan is to locate two museum building structures and associated parking areas on their existing tract (146 acres) located at 545 Crooked Creek Road. This subdivision would involve approximately ten +/- acres. Five +/- acres would be for the Adams County Historical Society Museum (20,785 sq. ft.) and the other five +/- acres would be for the Motor Pool at Gettysburg Museum (21,035 sq. ft.).

Currently, museums are not a permitted use, even as a special exception in the Ag zone. Johnston and Associates are interested in having their attorney work with the township's solicitor in creating a text amendment to the zoning ordinance (175.9) to add museums as a special exception in the Ag zone. They would then need to come before the zoning hearing board to obtain special exception approval for their museum project. Some discussion was had about whether it would be better to add museums as a special exception to an agricultural zone or add it to a residential zone. The project site is located near a residential zone and we could do a double amendment and redraw the zoning map to include the 10 acre site. In addition to a text amendment change to add museums to a special exception list, there would also need to be sections included for parking requirements, etc.

**MOTION** by Deardorff, seconded by Redman to recommend the Supervisors pursue the text amendment changes to the zoning ordinance. Motion carried: 5 to 1.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lower  
Planning Commission Secretary