

MINUTES
FOX CHAPEL BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING HELD OCTOBER 17, 2016

PRESENT: Walter A. Scott, III, Mayor; Jay S. Troutman, Vice President; Thomas A. Karet, Harrison S. Lauer, Frederick C. Leech, Ann R. Meyer, James M. Royston, Councilmembers; A. Bruce Bowden, Esq. Solicitor; Kevin A. Brett, P.E., Borough Engineer; Gary J. Koehler, Manager; Joy A. Hardt, Treasurer; Robert John Smith, Zoning Officer; Dana A. Abate, Borough Secretary.

ABSENT: Andrew C. Bennett, Councilmember.

Mr. Troutman called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M.

Upon a motion, duly made, seconded, and unanimously adopted, the minutes of the Borough Council meeting held September 19, 2016 were approved.

PUBLIC HEARING – Conditional Use Application 16-01, Solar Panels, 1 Foxwood Drive

Mr. Troutman called the Public Hearing to order at 6:05 PM and asked for questions from the audience. There being none, the Public Hearing was closed at 6:05 PM.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Conditional Use Approval 16-01

Mr. Lauer reported that the Planning Commission met before the Council meeting to review Conditional Use Application 16-01 for Gordon Handelsman, 1 Foxwood Drive, to install solar panels on the existing home and detached garage. He stated that the Planning Commission reviewed the application and found that the application meets the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance and recommended its approval.

Accordingly, it was moved by Mr. Lauer that Conditional Use Application 16-01 be approved. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

Fox Chapel/Guyaux Plan of Subdivision

This proposed subdivision is a simple lot line change between the Borough Building property (Parcel A), Borough-owned property (Parcel B) and property owned by Joseph & Kathleen Guyaux (Parcel C). Mr. Lauer stated that Preliminary and Final Approval is sought. He noted that the proposed subdivision meets the requirements of the Subdivision Ordinance and is recommended for approval conditioned upon the applicant complying with the comments made by the Allegheny County Department of Economic Development.

Accordingly, it was moved by Mr. Lauer that the Fox Chapel/Guyaux Plan of Subdivision be granted Preliminary and Final Approval contingent upon compliance with comments made by Allegheny County Department of Economic Development. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

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Mr. Troutman thanked the Planning Commission for its review of the Conditional Use application and subdivision plan and thanked the Guyauxes for the donation of land.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

The following land disturbance application was reviewed by the EAC at its October 10, 2016 meeting:

Application No. 16-03: Pittsburgh Field Club
121 Field Club Road
Golf Practice Area Improvement

Application No. 16-04: Alex J. Kline/Rebecca Edmonds
27 Indian Trail Court & Parcel 621-P-015
Grading

It was moved by Mr. Troutman that Application Number 16-03 and 16-04 be approved subject to any and all conditions imposed by the EAC. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

ENGINEER'S REPORT/MS4

Mr. Brett reported that there are new regulations coming in 2017 regarding Act 167 and MS4 which will require new stormwater ordinances.

FINANCIAL

Mrs. Hardt reported that 2016 wage tax collection continues to lag 2015 collections. She will continue to monitor the situation.

Payment of Bills

It was moved by Mrs. Meyer that the payment of bills for September 2016 be approved per the check register attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

OTHER

Mayor Scott reported that he and Mr. Koehler are hosting an Open House this Saturday to discuss historical properties in the Borough and distribute MS4 information.

Mr. Koehler reported that the Borough's insurance carrier confirmed that no exchange of items can occur at the rubbish bins.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 PM.

DANA A. ABATE
Borough Secretary