## MAHONING/COOPER TOWNSHIPS PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES FOR MARCH 6TH, 2023

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M.
- 2. The following persons were present, Kathy Mordan, Bill Lynn, Marlene Gunther, Liz Brown, and Bud Mottern all members of the Joint Planning Commission. Engineer Drew Barton, Jim Dragano and Dean VonBlohn were also present. Supervisors Al Neuner and Glen Cromley were present.
- 3. The 1<sup>st</sup> order of business was to approve the minutes of January 3, 2023, and February 6, 2023, both were unanimously approved.
- 4. A review of the 2<sup>nd</sup> draft of the of the Comprehensive plan was presented for review and comment on by Drew Barton. After a lengthy review and discussion, it was suggested that Drew take the information back and work on including a table of content and several other items and format it closer to the final formant, bring it back to the Commission, possibly by the May 1<sup>st</sup> Planning Commission meeting. At that time, it should be possible to work on 1 or 2 specific areas instead of trying to work on the entire document. Drew was asked if he had an estimate of current expenses, he reported that he is approximately 1/5<sup>th</sup> of the way through the approved budget of not to exceed \$51,150.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:10 P.M.

**NEXT MEETING, APRIL 3, 2023** 

## MAHONING/COOPER TOWNSHIPS PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup> 2023

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM.
- 2. The following persons were present, Kathy Mordan, Bill Lynn, Marlene Gunther, Liz Brown and Bud Mottern, all members of the Planning Commission. Also present were Engineer Drew Barton, Jim Dragano and Dean VonBlohn.
- Visitors representing the applicant were Engineer Nicholas Argot, Sisters Sara Swazze, Sister Barbara Sable and Sister Michael Ann Deitz, and several neighboring residents from the Township.
- 4. The minutes of the March 6<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved, motion by Bill Lynn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Liz Brown, unanimously approved.
- 5. New business, an application for a minor 3 lot subdivision involving 30.68 acres owned by Saint Cyril. Engineer Nick Argot presented the application along with updated drawings. Drew Barton reported that his review comments were satisfied and recommended approval of the plan, he also stated that the access to the project will probably change. Dean VonBlohn reported a letter from Montour County Planning Commission has been received, confirming their official approval. There were several brief questions from the floor. (Liz Brown made a motion to make a recommendation to the Supervisors to approve the Sub-division, seconded by Marlene, unanimously approved.) Nick Argot stated that he would like to have a set down meeting prior to finalizing the land development plans.
- 6. Drew Barton and the Planning Commission members had a lengthy discussion and review regarding the Comprehensive Plan. Most of the comments discussed were about the current Zoning Ordinance, location of the different Zoning districts, possible changes to several permitted use requirements and commercial solar development. Recommended changes to the current Zoning ordinance are not intended to rewrite the entire ordinance, it is to correct many of the dimensional requirements where a pattern of consistently approving the same variances exists.
- 7. A motion to adjourn was made by Liz Brown 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Lynn

**NEXT MEETING, MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> AT 5:30 P.M.**