

PENNSBURY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

APRIL 24, 2017

Chairman Dennis Smith called the meeting to order at 5 p.m. Members present were Bob Crandell, Jim Ware, Corinne Murphy, Dennis Smith, Lynn Luft and Kathleen Howley. The minutes of April 10, 2017 were approved as submitted.

Water Exportation

Discussion continued on proposed regulations for water exportation. Tom Oeste, township solicitor, suggested that any new regulations for this should be covered within our zoning ordinance under Article XV, Natural Resource Protection Standards. Lynn Luft distributed a draft of Corinne Murphy's changes which she incorporated into this section. Discussion continued on Mrs. Murphy's draft for these proposed regulations. Mrs. Murphy will research further what the threshold is for extracting too much water and what approach we should take when this happens. It was suggested that we might need to consult a geologist since now the information is getting too technical for PC members to research. Mrs. Murphy asked members where in the township would extraction be permitted? At what point should the township contact professional planners to help with the final drafting of such regulations. They would have the resources for answering the technical questions and how to incorporate them into a draft. Discussion will continue at the next meeting on this subject.

Dennis Smith stated Bob Crandell will lead the PC in researching the open space design option project beginning with assessing what impact increasing from 1 acre to 1 ½ acre the minimum lot size. Would the open space design option still be desirable for developers?

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen Howley
Recording Secretary