

BENNER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
Benner Township, Centre County, PA

September 14, 2000 at 7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER

Regularly scheduled meeting of the Benner Township Planning Commission was called to order by Vice Chairman Rob Fugate, at the Benner Township Municipal Building at 7:05 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Members present: Rob Fugate, Dave Breon, Fred Gay, Tim Robinson, Steve Porter. Also attending was: Renee McGowan, Zoning Officer. Also in attendance was Kelly Harris of Hoffman, Popovich and Associates, and Dr. Tom Lynn. Members absent were: Chris Berenty and Joe Shultz.

MINUTES

Planning Commission received the minutes of August 24, 2000, for their review and comment. Several grammatical were made including "Mr. Fugate recommended the developer **pay** particular..." "2. Rockview: **It....** develop, **so as to** maintain..." Mr. Gay moved the minutes be approved as amended. Mr. Breon seconded the motion.

VOTE:

Mr. Berenty: absent	Mr. Fugate: yes	Mr. Porter: yes
Mr. Shultz: absent	Mr. Breon: yes	Mr. Gay: yes
Mr. Robinson – yes		

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

ARL Test Track, Penn State – Conditional Use Request: Mr. Harris explained the request. A handout explaining what the University was asking stated the following: "The College of Engineering and Applied Research Laboratory of Penn State currently has a joint program to conduct research on the fundamental heat transfer and fluid flow phenomena in a vertical, electrically heated tube bundle. The high bay annex constructed last year houses this experiment. The construction of the proposed addition is necessary to house relocated equipment to support this experiment.

The addition will house a diesel fueled steam generator that currently occupies a temporary trailer at the site. The boiler is similar to those found in residential structures that provide steam heat.

The proposed structure will be supported on two sides by walls of the existing addition. The other two walls will be new construction masonry block. The addition will require no earth disturbance as it is sited over existing concrete slab. No additional employees will be added as a result of this 384 sq. ft. addition."

The Commission asked what the total capacity of the diesel tank was and if it would have

a containment system. Mr. Harris indicated he would look into the matter. With no other questions, Mr. Porter recommended approval to the Supervisors based upon proper installation of the diesel tank. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion.

VOTE:

Mr. Berenty: absent

Mr. Fugate: yes

Mr. Porter: yes

Mr. Shultz: absent

Mr. Breon: yes

Mr. Gay: yes

Mr. Robinson – yes

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

CORRESPONDENCE

NOTES

1. *Final Draft I-99 Overlay Ordinance:* Public forum will be held at the Benner Elementary School on September 20 to discuss the final draft of the Overlay District Ordinance. Mr. Fugate commented it would be “nice” if Benner Township could be the first Township to adopt the proposed recommendations. Mr. Fugate strongly recommended all members review the proposed ordinance and bring their comments to the next meeting.

ADJOURN

With all business complete, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,
Renee McGowan
Renee McGowan Zoning Officer