

Benner Township Supervisors/Planning Commission
Work Session
August 15, 2016

The joint work session was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Those in attendance were:

Board of Supervisors

David Wise
Randy Moyer

Planning Commission

Nate Campbell
Lee Copper
Willis Houser
Sherry Dawn Jackson

Staff

Chris Anderson – Zoning Officer
Sharon Royer – Secretary/Treasurer
Chuck Herr – Sewage Enforcement Officer
Harry Burd – Building Code Official

Others present

Renee Swancer
Shirley Gryczuk
Scott Brumbaugh
John Kostas

Discussion was held concerning the draft Zoning Ordinance. The Planning Commission noted that they have gone through the document and that they are almost to the point to start going over the uses and deciding which zoning districts the uses should be allowed in and how to be allowed ie: permitted, conditional use, etc.

The Planning Commission noted that it was their goal to have a page or two in the beginning of each zoning district to allow people to read to know whether or not what they wanted to do would or wouldn't be allowed and to make them aware of minimum lot sizes and setbacks. It would be set up like a "quick start" manual. Additional information depending on the uses if needed to be expanded would be found elsewhere in the document. They also noted that they planned to make a chart of all of the uses that they come up with and what district they would be allowed in to be placed in the back of the ordinance. All present agreed that they thought that this was an excellent idea.

Those present decided that the Zoning Map should be the last part of the process to be tackled and it was agreed that a group work session would be the best way to approach this task after the uses and zones were established. It was noted that probably a realistic goal for this meeting would be in November or December.

In conclusion, it was decided that the Planning Commission would continue with their review process and that a list of the major changes that have been made to the previous draft would be created and forwarded on to the Board of Supervisors.

The work session was adjourned the time being 7:50 p.m.

Sharon Royer, Secretary/Treasurer