



## TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

### 2011 MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** August 8th, 2011, **Time:** 7 PM, **Place:** Township Municipal Building

**Members Present:** Chair Connie Bieling, Vice Chair Guy Seifert, Board Members, Christine Meinhart, Roy Christman, George White, David Beers, and Rick Mertz.

**Solicitor,** Michael Greek, **Secretary** Jeremy Barbosa

**Excused:** Solicitor, None

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<b>Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag</b>	None	The Planning Commission began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
<b>Approval of the Minutes:</b> Approval of July 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2011 Towamensing Township Planning Commission minutes.	None	Motion made by Guy Seifert to approve the minutes, from July 11th, 2011, with the corrections, and seconded by Christine Meinhart. A.I.F.
<b>Public Participation</b>	None	None
<b>Old Business:</b> Alton Green Lot Line Adjustment, presented by Mitch Green.	<b>Plans were accepted for review on July 11, 2011.</b> The group went over the Township Engineer's report as well as the County Planning Comments. The board had a brief discussion, however without any representation the plans were tabled until someone from the respected parties are present at the meeting.	A motion was made to table the plans until a representative can come to present changes to comply with Engineer reports and County Planning reports or the request of waivers, by Guy Seifert, and seconded by Christine Meinhart. A.I.F.
<b>New Business:</b> Sanders Lot Line Adjustment, presented by Keystone Engineering Consultants	Plans were accepted for review on August 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2011. Keystone Engineering presents the plans for a lot line adjustment due a structure being place over the property line. This will	A motion was made by Christine Meinhart to accept the plans for review, and seconded by David Beers. A.I.F. Guy Siefert abstained from voting.

	<p>allow for proper setbacks. All the parcels are owned by the same parties. Some question arose about different deeds and Keystone Engineering stated they thought they were all one deed; they will make the necessary changes. The Township Engineer's report was read to the commission, and it also suggested some minor changes. Keystone stated they will make the changes prior to next meeting. The Planning Commission is waiting for the County Planning review of the plan before any further actions.</p>	
<b>Discussion:</b>	<p>The Planning Commission reviewed the details for the changes at the Towamensing Township Ball Field. This was just a courtesy review. The Planning Commission was grateful that the Supervisors were keeping them in the loop and are look forward to plans and updates.</p>	<p>A motion was made by Guy Siefert to acknowledge the proposal for changes at the ball field; the motion was seconded by Roy Christman. A.I.F.</p>
<b>Officials:</b>	<p>Roy Christman had some concerns with the Farm Land Preservation, and the way the property owners are taxed. Since the property cannot be developed, there needs to be a reassessment of property taxes. However the County has no procedure in place to do this. Roy is checking with neighboring counties on how they do this and feels that there needs to be notification to the Tax Assesment Office on these changes, due to a large reduction to those who preserve their lands. Roy said he will keep the board informed on his progress.</p>	<p>None</p>
<b>Adjournment</b>	<p>None</p>	<p>Motion made by Roy Christman to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by George White. A.I.F. Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.</p>