

PLANNING COMMISSION
Hanover Township Northampton County
3630 JACKSONVILLE ROAD
BETHLEHEM, PA 18017

Minutes of the August 11, 2014 Meeting

Meeting #909 of the Hanover Township Northampton County Planning Commission was held at the Hanover Township Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, convening at 7:30 P.M.

Planning Commission members in attendance:

Kenneth Vail	Susan Lawless
Joseph Hilton	Barry Check
Vivian Zumas	Richard Kanaskie
Paul Pugielli	

Hanover Engineering Associates, Inc. represented by James Milot.

Motion was made by Vail, seconded by Lawless, to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2014 Planning Commission Meeting.

Lawless, yes; Hilton, abstain; Check, abstain; Zumas, yes; Kanaskie, yes; Pugielli, yes; Vail, yes

Motion was made by Vail, seconded by Kanaskie, to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2014 Planning Commission Meeting.

Lawless, abstain; Hilton, yes; Check, yes; Zumas, abstain; Kanaskie, yes; Pugielli, yes; Vail, yes

HANOVER TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. #1 100 Stoke Park Road
Preliminary Land Development Plan
Frank Almer (Fire Company President)

Plan proposes to raze the storage building and a portion of existing fire station parking lot and construct two (2) separate building additions to existing fire station. Fire station parking lot is proposed to be reconfigured and second parking lot access constructed. Applicant stated the Fire Company needs to make building improvements for operational reasons. Proposed storage and office space are needed.

Letter dated August 8, 2014 was received from Hanover Engineering. Applicant had various questions regarding the scope and content of that letter. Applicant was advised to contact a professional engineer who could review the plan with Architect Steven Elton, referencing the issues in the Township Engineer's letter, and meet with Hanover Engineering accordingly to resolve those issues

HANOVER TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. #1 Continued

Given that the Applicant did not have an engineering representative present and was not otherwise prepared to address the technical aspects of the various open issues, and the fact that a major Zoning issue is currently unresolved, specific discussion of the Township Engineer's August 8, 2014 letter was deferred.

Applicant also stated that the Fire Company ceased social hall rentals approximately 3 years ago. That area is reportedly no longer open to the general public but used only by Fire Company members. This fact may change the required parking calculation.

Planning Commission advised Applicant to contact the Township Zoning Officer and/or Township Solicitor regarding outstanding Zoning issues with the Applicant's proposal.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Milot had nothing to report.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:15 p.m.

Sylvia McLaughlin
Clerk – Planning Commission

