HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP YORK COUNTY PA PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 18, 2022 HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP MEETING ROOM & STREAMING VIA ZOOM 7:00 PM

Chairman Ann Yost called the October 18, 2022, Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Also in attendance were Joe Shanabrough, Chuck Webster, Butch Hensel, Tom Malkie (via Zoom), Township Manager Katie Berry, and Zoning Officer Keith Hunnings.

Approval of Minutes:

Butch Hensel motioned to approve the September 20, 2022; with the following amendments: remove Butch Hensel from the attendance and make a correction adding 'motion' rather than word 'waiver.' Chuck Webster seconded. Motion carried.

<u>Consider Recommendation Zoning Hearing - 3-2022 Plishka</u> – A variance is being requested by Joseph and Kristen Plishka for a proposed higher than 3-foot fence (Ordinance only allows 3 feet) on their residential triple frontage lot, located at 440 Edie Circle. Mr. & Mrs. have stated the following on their application for the variance:

- > The three-foot fencing requirement does not provide comprehensive safety for children, while utilizing the properties outside area. Without a higher fence, children are subjected to entering busy street or be easily subjected to kidnapping
- ➤ The fencing proposed will match in material, design, and height dimensions previously chosen by the owner at 430 Edie Circle (neighbor) and will not impede the owner.
- ➤ The HOA, designated by JA Myers, has approved the fence design and layout, as it meets neighborhood aesthetics.
- > The fencing proposed perimeter layout and opaque structural design does not impede visual rights-of-way for public welfare nor is it known to further endanger welfare
- ➤ Requesting the fence to be 54 inches at sides and rear of property

The Planning Committee members did not have a site plan provided nor did they have the height provided of the neighboring fence. The Planners recommended that this information be provided for the Zoning Committee members at the Hearing.

Yost motioned to recommend that a minimum relief be recommended based on location that reflects and continues the purpose of the Ordinance, which maintains a clear sight triangle on a triple frontage lot. It is recommended that the fence line extend in line with the South building face, continue the line of the adjacent neighboring fence on the East, then at the intersection of the two lines, provide an angle that matches or exceeds the approved clear sight triangle, with no fence within the area of the clear sight triangle. Yost also recommended fence height shall match or be lower than that of the adjacent neighbors. Hensel seconded the motion. Motion carried

Public Comment- None

Yost asked for a motion to adjourn. Hensel motioned, Shanabrough seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.

Katie Berry, Recording Secretary