

MINUTES

Barnesville Planning Commission

Meeting notes - August 8, 2020 Via Zoom

Members present

Woody Bailey

Judy Stone

Cynthia Jennings

Mildred Callear

Meg Menke

Agenda Item	Action taken	Additional Notes
Call to Order	Woody called to order	
Approval of Past Minutes	The Zoom Recording was the past minutes, but nobody requested and hence received a copy of them. Move to always have minutes taken.	Motion Approved. Cynthia reminded all that it was agreed on by the Commissioners that taking minutes for the Public Hearing would not be required.
Master Plan Status	Judy's and Cynthia's inputting of the Town Commissioners' comments have been incorporated. Meg's review from State suggestions - 75% have been incorporated Meg's Housing Chapter - 75% incorporated Sustainable Barnesville Climate Change Chapter - being reviewed New Maps update with tax id's requested by Mary Beth requested - in process	
Sidewalk priorities		A Lot of discussion took place about the priorities of new sidewalks. Woody asked the board to label priorities by high, medium and low. High: to Post Office, To Marc station as far as town limits Medium: Meg suggested from the new Park to the Catholic Church (part 1 might be in front of church),

		<p>Meg's area, to Monocacy Elementary School (Distance is 8/10 of a mile to town park, Mildred thought the school kids could walk over to work on upkeep of town park as a school project) H?</p> <p>Low: section F, H? and J on hold Meg thinks it should be moved up</p> <p>Storm water issue should be researched to make sure any new sidewalks would not increase that issue) Audrey was consulted and said a solution may include a retention pond or swail</p>
Housing Chapter	<p>Meg's written section page 6 3rd paragraph introduces a new plan regarding ADUs that they are bypassed by water and sewer. She thinks it's a perfect time to allocate water and sewer. Smaller housing Units would bring in revenue and maybe children for monocacy elementary school. Mildred thought it's a fraught concept to add after a public hearing. Meg said we could take out the optional_? Meg said any new subdivision would be McMansions if we don't do this because when you replace a septic and well they do it by capacity and house size could be larger as a result. Application has to include a proposal.</p>	<p>It would be a subdivision ordinance change. The town lawyer would need to look at it.It's a property owner's right to __. Zoning Ordinance would need to read "there will not be any short term rentals."</p> <p>Cynthia asked if anyone called the county after John Menke's suggestion at the town hearing that the county could enforce some zoning issues. Meg said the county only will enforce well and septic. Judy suggested we could share an enforcer with another town as they do in her sister's town in New York State.</p> <p>We need to do a 2nd public hearing to discuss these docs. Mildred asked what the risk is of not doing the housing section at all? Meg said the State wants every jurisdiction to address affordable housing.</p>
Climate Change Chapter	It is three pages long.	Woody will send it for review.
Land Annexations	A discussion was begun regarding Land Annexations in the Municipal Growth area - squaring off the edges of town to increase revenue.	

Next Steps for Master Plan	Final Draft Public Hearing Approval by Planning Commission Present to Town Commissioners	
Building Permits	18211 Barnesville Rd Pole Barn - not being pursued at this time Coffee Roasting? 18231 Barnesville Rd Solar array - approved	
Public Comments	Audrey said she was the one who introduced that the plan was missing a climate change section. Cynthia asked what new public comments were since the last meeting since the period for town input was extended for a week.	Public comments were shared and will be checked with the Town Clerk for any additional comments.
Meeting Adjourned	Woody Adjourned the meeting.	
Next meeting	10:00, September 12, 2020 via zoom	

Other attendees - Barnesville residents, etc.:

Audrey Morris