

Planning Commission Meeting –December 2020 (Zoom meeting – Held December 22, 2020)

Attending: Lydia Herring, Rich Kraemer, Kirsten Compitello, Eric Valcheff

Absent: Colton Chandler

Call To Order: 7:02 PM

Citizen Comments

None

DCED Update

Nick Mackereth at DCED is confident that Crafton and Ingram are well-positioned to receive funding in the next award cycle. He is not sure when it will be issued. Crafton Council President, Phil Levasseur, will speak with Ingram Council President, Sam Nucci, regarding the project and work with Sam to get paperwork completed for the boroughs. It was emphasized that we need Council to act. Crafton and Ingram need to add to their Council agendas.

Master Park Plan Update

Crafton will use a consultant and steering committee for this work. Crafton Planning Commission will likely get involved to provide input during the process. EPD may be the consultant firm. Note: Susan O'Connell was originally involved in the 2012-2014 Comprehensive Recreational Development Plan and Pool Feasibility Study. Current grant money received for Crafton to prepare a current Master Parks Plan is \$26,000.

Comment Review from Planning on Borough Website

Planning Commission plans to set up an auto-response to all website comments with possible resources and meeting list. It was asked if we could create a template for all e-mail responses. Also, could it be possible to have all Crafton-visioning comments go to the Crafton clerk vs the Planning Commission Chairperson. This would allow the comments/questions to be sent/assigned out to the appropriate parties to answer/address the question(s). For current unresolved questions/comments, Planning Commission to respond with appropriate referrals. Kirsten will draft an answer e-mail to the comment received for Lydia to send. Eric will review and comment to website administrator on how to handle e-mails.

A few citizen suggestions that can be addressed by the Planning Commission include: (1) suggesting a designated dumpster be placed in the parking lot behind the Borough Building for Crafton residents to use during specific times like spring cleaning, (2) make better use of Savvy Citizen and our website to communicate.

Takeaway review from Workshop #3

It was noted that some members of Crafton council did not find value in Planning Commission presenting on the Get-Go development. Councilwoman Perry was the only representative from council to attend the workshop. It was then mentioned that council needs to watch the video recording. We will attach the transcript of Chat. We will be sending this to Borough and School Board for feedback and urge Crafton Council to watch the workshop recording.

Motion: November Minutes were passed unanimously.

Next workshop will be held in February 2021 on the Crafton Blvd. project. Kirsten Plans to reach out to Phil Levasseur for slides and other materials to prepare content.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM