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MILLHEIM BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

January 26, 2010

The reorganizational meeting of the Millheim Borough Planning Commission was called to order by Chairperson, Nicole Thompson, at 7:00 p.m. with the following persons in attendance: Linn Auman, Dennis Bressler, David Sprowls, Tom Strebel, Nicole Thompson, Sharon Heckman and Paul Gotto and other InfraSource representatives.

Absent: John R. Miller, III

Chairperson Nicole Thompson opened the floor for nominations for the office of Chairperson. A nomination was made by Tom Strebel and seconded by Linn Auman for Nicole Thompson. There being no other nominations, Nicole Thompson was elected Chairperson of the Planning Commission.

Chairperson Nicole Thompson then opened the floor for nominations for the office of Vice-Chairperson. A nomination was made by Linn Auman and seconded by Tom Strebel for David Sprowls. There being no other nominations, David Sprowls was elected Planning Commission Vice-Chairperson.

A motion was made by Linn Auman and seconded by Dennis Bressler to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2009 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

It was reported that the Borough Council approved amending the codified ordinances, Chapter 2 and Chapter 15, as recommended by the Planning Commission at the October 27, 2009 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Paul Gotto of InfraSource reviewed drawings and explained the proposed revised route of the fiber optic line. These revised drawings take the line around the downtown business district utilizing easements beginning at the American Legion and coming back onto Rt. 45 at Park Road. He reported that all easements have been obtained except for the land owned by the Lion's Club. Mr. Gotto explained that a video tape will be made before the project and after the work is done he will walk the route with Glenn Ripka or Todd Wasson and a copy of the video tape will be provided to the Borough. Concerns about the fiber optic line placement being too near the main water line on North Street were discussed. InfraSource will look into the possibility of keeping this line further back in the field. The other issue discussed was if a handhold could be placed at Park Road with the boring under the entire length of sidewalk from Park Road to High Street before placement of another handhold. Mr. Gotto will also look into this. After some discussion, a motion was made by Linn Auman and seconded by Tom Strebel to forward a recommendation to Borough Council to accept the drawings with the change as discussed along North Street. Motion carried.

As a result of Jesse Burkholder discussing the possibility of connecting to the Borough Sewer, there was discussion about a possible need to change the existing EDU rate schedule because there is no difference between part-time and full-time employees. Mr. Auman will contact the State College Sewer Authority to see how they handle this situation and to determine if their schedule defines a part-time employee. Concerns were then discussed about connecting someone in another municipality to the Millheim Borough Sewer. This led to a consensus that more information should be gathered on water and sewer authorities. Mr. Jacobs and Mr. Milliron at the Centre County Planning Office will be contacted on this issue.

The next meeting will be February 23, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Dennis Bressler and seconded by Tom Strebel to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried.

Sharon A. Heckman, Recording Secretary