

Borough of Castle Shannon

Planning Commission Minutes for August 16, 2021

Chairman Marv Levin called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. Other Commission members present were Timothy Swisher, William Grand, Vance Kochenderfer, and Robert Broman. Also present was Zoning Officer Paul Vietmeier.

Consideration of the minutes for the July 19, 2021 meeting was deferred until later in the session.

Ms. Tiffani Hurt appeared before the Commission regarding a change of use at 1106 Castle Shannon Boulevard, which had formerly been used as a retail second-hand store. She wished to open a take-out restaurant called Bliss Nutrition serving gourmet protein shakes and teas. She stated that there was no plan for on-premises seating. Mr. Grand moved to approve the change of use and Mr. Broman seconded. The motion was adopted.

A pending request from Mr. Daniel Welsch to consolidate lots at 3471 and 3473 McRoberts Way was taken up. Commission members reviewed letters dated July 23, 2021 and August 13, 2021 from the Borough Engineer describing their results of reviewing the plan of consolidation. While the property owner had addressed some items from the initial letter, the August 13 letter noted that there was still a minor inconsistency in documentation that the adjacent property owner (to the east) assented to the entire width of Groveton Court being attached to the property and stated that the parcel should be described entirely on the plan. As the Commission had not been informed that the remaining concerns were fully resolved, members felt that no action was appropriate at this time and no motion was made.

The Commission then took up the matter of the minutes from the July 19, 2021 meeting. These were in the form of a transcript produced by a court reporter. Several members expressed concerns about inaccuracies in the transcript, primarily relating to the identified speaker but also certain details. Mr. Swisher made a motion that, rather than adopting the transcript with amendments, the Commission's Secretary be requested to produce a set of minutes that would be reviewed for consideration as the official meeting minutes. Mr. Grand seconded the motion. The motion was adopted.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Grand and seconded by Mr. Broman. The motion was adopted. Chairman Levin adjourned the meeting at 7:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Vance Kochenderfer