

Borough of Castle Shannon

Planning Commission Minutes for December 20th, 2021

Chairman Marv Levin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Other Commission members present were William Grand, Timothy Swisher, Robert Broman. and Zoning Officer Paul Vietmeier. In the absence of the regular secretary, Mr. Broman was appointed secretary pro tem. Vance Kochenderfer did attend, arriving several minutes after the meeting was called to order.

Upon the chairman's request to approve the previous meeting's minutes, Mr. Swisher requested an addition to page three, paragraph seven, to note his comment of St. Anne's existence as a school for a period of 127 years. The comment was acknowledged and Mr. Broman moved that the addition should be made, being seconded by Mr. Grand. The addition was unanimously approved, after which Mr. Levin asked for a motion to approve the revised minutes. Mr. Grand motioned to approve the revised minutes, Mr. Swisher seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Bryan Fogarty of Keystone Vapors addressed the commission regarding the opening of a combined vape/wellness goods shop at 3613 Library Road. The shop would be owned by Asif Shah, who was also present to address any questions. As these individuals had provided information on the nature of the shop and acknowledged their legal responsibilities regarding sales to minors, the commission had no further questions. Mr. Broman moved to approve the use of the space for Keystone Vapors, Mr. Swisher seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

The commission was then addressed by Mr. Bob Kochinski of Royal Palm Capital, an organization that was assisting Mr. Radha Timsina in the establishment of an Asian grocery market at 300 Mt. Lebanon Blvd., which may later expand into additional shops . Mr. Swisher asked if the shop had intentions of cooking food as well as selling off-the-shelf and was told that only shelf goods would be sold presently. Mr. Swisher additionally noted that additional permits and inspections would be needed if cooking were to be included in any future plans. As there were no further questions Mr. Swisher moved to approve the use of the space for an Asian Grocery Store, Mr. Grand seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

As there was no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Swisher and seconded by Mr. Grand. The commission unanimously approved and Chairman Levin adjourned the meeting at 7:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Broman
Secretary pro tem