



BLAIR COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
Regular Meeting of October 27, 2022, 8:30 AM
Altoona Water Authority, 900 Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, Pennsylvania

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call – The meeting will begin with a roll call of the members to publicly determine who is present as well as determine if a quorum is present.
2. Approval of Minutes – The Minutes of the August 25, 2022 and September 29, 2022 will be considered for approval.
3. Public Comment Period – Public comment will be received at this time.
4. Commissioner Liaison Forum – This is an opportunity for the Commissioners' liaison to make any reports, comments, or findings to the Planning Commission.

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

5. Staff Level Reviews – The following applications were tabled from last meeting due to lack of a quorum:
 - City of Altoona: Chad Williams No-Impact Subdivision
 - City of Altoona: Jeff and Lorri Brown No-Impact Subdivision
 - City of Altoona: Steven & Michelle Passarello and Ryan Wetzel Lot Line Relocation
 - Antis Township: Stacy and Lance Kustaborder Subdivision
 - Frankstown Township: Merritts – Wilson Lot Merger
 - Greenfield Township: George Harbaugh On-Lot Septic
 - Greenfield Township: Michael & Tricia Smith and Gary & Heater Brown Lot Line Addition
 - Greenfield Township: Dennis Weyandt On-Lot Septic
 - North Woodbury Township: Bennati Property Line Change
 - Snyder Township: Dave & Dawn Stark Replot
6. A Better Address -located at 511-525 18th Street in Altoona. This project proposes a new low-rise, 12-unit apartment building with modular construction. This building would replace a 10-unit apartment building that was razed in 2021 under the City's blight program.

Planning staff has reviewed and responded to the following applications since the last meeting. Commission members were given an opportunity via email to review these applications prior to response letters being sent:

- City of Altoona: Professional Housing Solutions LLC No Impact Subdivision
- Roaring Spring Borough: Doug & Jo Ellen Mingle Property Line Change
- Logan Township: Blair County Storage Inc. Lot Line Relocation
- Logan Township: Balestino Subdivision Plan
- Logan Township: McClure Lot Consolidation Plan
- Woodbury Township: Rodrick Hinsh Subdivision

METROPOLITAN CLEARINGHOUSE

7. Staff Level Reviews - The following requests were tabled from last meeting due to lack of a quorum:
 - NPC, Inc. -Claysburg Facility, Greenfield Township, Air Quality Permit Renewal and Request for Modification Application
 - Sheetz -Logistic Center/Warehouse & DC Expansion, Greenfield Township, Chapter 102 Permit Application
8. Blair County FY2022 CDBG Application – Proposed projects for inclusion in Blair County’s 2022 CDBG Funding application:
 - 14A Housing Rehabilitation: owner-occupied, single unit (residential) - \$587,950.00
 - 031 Hollidaysburg Borough: flood drainage improvements (multi-year funding) - \$92,487.00
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 - PA DEP Grant Applications:
 - 2022 Brownfield Community Wide Assessment Grant -IIJA Funding (U.S. EPA) \$2,000,000.00
 - 2022 State Energy Program Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (U.S. EPA) \$14,079,120.00
 - 2022 Preventing Outages and Enhancing Resilience of PA’s Electric Grid (40101(d)) \$8,138,835.00
 - Antis Township – Peoples Natural Gas Plastic Gas Line Extension Project
 - Frankstown Township - Berwind Road Sanitary Sewer, Water Quality Management Part II, permit
 - Snyder Township - Camp Anderson Sewer Line Installation, General Permit 5 application
 - Snyder Township - Sandy Ridge Wind 2 LLC, A-1 Major Amendment, NPDES Chapter 102 permit application

GRANTS

- City of Altoona – Garfield Park Improvements, Letter of Support, PA DCNR grant application
- Duncansville Borough – Duncansville Community Memorial Park, Phase I, Letter of Support, PA DCNR grant application
- Logan Township - Strawberry Hills Soccer Complex, Phase I, Letter of Support for DCNR grant

LONG-RANGE PLANNING

10. Williamsburg Comprehensive Plan – An update on Journeys, the Williamsburg Comprehensive Plan: Specifically, the open house workshop held as an outreach to the public.
11. Altoona Comprehensive Plan – A summary of the status of the Altoona Comprehensive Plan, including steering committee, request for proposals, and expected timeline.
12. Regional Housing Plan – Introduction to the Southern Alleghenies regional housing plan currently underway, including an invitation to participate in the survey on housing needs.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

13. Planning Director’s Report – The Planning Director will give a brief update on professional development and administrative issues for the organization, including (but not limited to):
 - Teishoku Place Theory
 - Altoona “Language Spoken at Home” Numbers
14. Planning Commissioners’ Forum - This is an opportunity for Planning Commission members to bring items of relevant interest to the attention of the body as a whole.

15. Questions from the Media – This is an opportunity for the media to ask any questions needed to clarify any points made or agenda items discussed during the meeting.

16. Upcoming Events:

- October 31 – Hazard Mitigation Meeting, Logan Township Municipal Building
- November 2 – Farm-City Dinner, Freedom Township Fire Hall
- November 11 - Veteran’s Day (Office Closed)
- November 24 & 25 - Thanksgiving Holiday (Office Closed)
- November 30 -State Hazard Mitigation Plan Capacity Assessment
- December 15 – BC Planning Commission Board Meeting and Annual Holiday Social, Educators’ Inn

ADJOURNMENT

The next board meeting is the combined November and December Annual Meeting and Holiday Social on December 15, 2022 at 4:30 PM in the Educator’s Café, in the Greater Altoona Career and Technology Center, 1500 Fourth Avenue, Altoona.