



Blair Planning

Blair County Planning Commission
Altoona Metropolitan Planning Organization
Blair County Government Advisory Committee

BLAIR COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
Regular Meeting of April 28, 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 March 31, 2022 will be considered for approval.
3. Public Comment Period – Public comment will be received at this time.

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

4. Reliance Savings Bank – Located at the intersection of Plank Road and Quail Avenue in the City of Altoona. The plan proposes demolition of the existing bank prior to construction of a new 1,510 square-foot bank with two drive-through lanes.
5. Staff Level Reviews - 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: Altoona Family Inc.
 - City of Altoona: Ehredt/Snyder Lot Merger
 - City of Altoona: Reliance Savings Bank
 - Roaring Spring Borough: Kensinger Lot Merger
 - Allegheny Township: Stephen Baker Subdivision
 - Antis Township: McClellan Lot Merger
 - Antis Township: Tyler and Plummer Lot Line Relocation
 - Frankstown Township: Conroy and Maher Subdivision
 - Snyder Township: Josh Miller Subdivision
 - Snyder Township: Tepsic Subdivision

ACTIONS BY GOVERNING BODY

6. Review Ordinance for City of Altoona Zoning Code – The proposed ordinance would amend Chapter 800 of the City of Altoona's Code of Ordinances entitled "Zoning" to: 1) rezone from Limited Residential to General Industrial for three parcels; 2) provide enabling and severability of provisions, repealer; and 3) establish an effective date. The purpose of the requested zone change would allow construction of storage sheds on the property.

METROPOLITAN CLEARINGHOUSE

7. Northern Blair County Recreation Commission: Letter of Support request for a CFA/DCED grant application for funding for expansion improvements to the NBCRC facilities located along Route 220 (near DelGrosso's Amusement Park) in Antis Township.
8. Staff Level Reviews - Planning staff has reviewed and responded to the following requests since the last meeting. Commission members were given an opportunity via email to review these requests prior to response letters being sent:
 - PA DEP Grant Applications (3) for U.S. EPA Funds: 1) 2022 State Energy Program Bipartisan Infrastructure Law; 2) P.M. 2.5 Ambient Air Monitoring --American Rescue Plan Direct Funding; and 3) FY 2022 and FY 2023 Public Water System Supervision Program
 - Penn State Entrepreneurship & Commercialization: FY2022-2023 Pollution Prevention for Energy Efficiency Assessments and Economy, Energy and Environment Events - for Industries in PA
 - Penn State Entrepreneurship & Commercialization: FY-2022-2023 Pollution Prevention for Food/Beverage and Metal Manufacturing/Fabrication – for Industries in PA
 - Southern Alleghenies Planning and Development Commission: Letter of Support -PA DCNR Community Conservation Partnership for continued funding from the Regional Greenways Mini-Grants Program
 - Western Pennsylvania Conservancy: Letter of Support - PA DCNR C2P2 Grant – update Natural Heritage Inventories (CHNIs)
 - UPMC: UPMC: Letter of Support – major cafeteria renovations
 - UPMC: UPMC: Letter of Support – EMPATH project (Emergency Psychiatric Assessment Treatment Healing Unit)
 - City of Altoona: Letter of Support – federal RAISE grant – Altoona Transportation Center Improvements
 - Trust For Tomorrow: Letter of Support – stream bank restoration project in Freedom Township
 - Kulp Family Dairy: NPDES CAFO Permit Renewal - North Woodbury Township
 - T. L. Long: Chapter 102 permit application - North Woodbury Township
 - Texas Eastern Transmission, LP: Chapter 105 General Permit, North Woodbury Township

LONG-RANGE PLANNING

9. Active Transportation Plan – Introduction of the Active Transportation Plan adopted by the Blair Metropolitan Planning Organization as part of the Long-Range Transportation Plan. The intent is to have the Planning Commission also adopt the plan to assist in project reviews, programming and grant applications.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

10. ESRI Maintenance Contract Renewal – This contract renewal is for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 in the amount of \$3,000.00 and covers maintenance for our GIS software.
11. Letter of Amendment – PennDOT's Office of the Secretary for Planning seeks to amend Agreement #521156-C to extend the expiration date in Section 2, subpart A from June 30, 2022 to December 31, 2022.
12. Guardian Insurance – Contract renewal for our life, ADD, STD, and LTD insurance for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.
13. 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.
14. 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.

ADJOURNMENT

The next board meeting is scheduled for 8:30 AM on Thursday, May 26, 2022 at the Altoona Water Authority, 900 Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, Pennsylvania.