



BLAIR COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
Regular Meeting of August 31, 2023, 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 July 27, 2023 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. Groundhog Solar LLC – located at the intersection of N 8th Street and N 4th Avenue in the City of Altoona. The submitted plan proposes construction of an outdoor solar panel showroom.
6. Lexington Avenue Apartments – located at 117 Lexington Avenue in the City of Altoona. This development plan proposes construction of a new three-story six-plex residential housing development.
7. Weis Markets #64, Gas-N-Go – located at 601 Pleasant Valley Blvd., in the City of Altoona. This development plan proposes the construction of a Gas-N-Go fueling facility at the existing Weis Markets Store #64.
8. Greenfield Commons – located at 106, 108, 115, and 117 Rush Drive, in the Township of Greenfield. This development plan proposes the addition of four seasonal RV campsites at the existing Greenfield Commons housing facility.
9. 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: Benzel's Salt Room Addition, located at 6th Avenue
 - Duncansville Borough: Penn Oxford Plaza LLC, located at 532-540 3rd Ave and 6th Street
 - Antis Township: Moyer Subdivision, located at 2885 Grandview Road
 - Frankstown Township: Knab and Goss Lot Line Relocation at 1538 West Loop Road
 - Logan Township: DTJ Lot Consolidation, located at 1879 E. Pleasant Valley Blvd
 - Snyder Township: Snyder Township Lot Merger, located at intersection of Baughman Hollow Rd. and S. Eagle Valley Rd.

METROPOLITAN CLEARINGHOUSE

10. 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:
 - EADS Group for Spring Run Floodwall Replacement/Preservation and Stream Restoration Project, between West 8th Ave and West 7th Ave in the City of Altoona -Chapter 105/Section 404 permit application
 - Penn Del Engineering LP for England Family LP for a new dairy freestall barn at 10341 Fox Run Road in Catherine Township - Chapter 102 permit application
 - Stiffler McGraw for Logan Township’s Cashman Road Sanitary Sewer Extension Project -PAG-02 general NPDES permit
 - JHA Companies for Sandy Ridge Wind 2 LLC Linear Utility and Expansion Project in Snyder Township -- Chapter 102 permit application

11. Letters of Support
 - Alleghenies Broadband Inc. (ABI) and Crowsnest Broadband -PA State Broadband Authority grant application for fiberoptics installation project in the Williamsburg and Juniata areas to provide broadband access to underserved/unserved citizens
 - Martinsburg Borough – PA DCED Local Shares Statewide Grant Application for a new street sweeper.
 - North Woodbury Township – PA DCED Local Shares Statewide Grant Application for a secondary police vehicle

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

12. Planning Update

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.

15. Upcoming Events:
 - September 4 – Labor Day Holiday, Office Closed
 - September 25 – Blair County Association of Township Officials Annual Conference, Convention Center
 - September 27 – Down On the Farm Event, Piney Creek Greenhouse
 - September 28 – Blair County Planning Commission Meeting
 - September 28 – SARA Summit, Convention Center

ADJOURNMENT

The next board meeting is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on September 28, 2023 at the Altoona Water Authority, 900 Chestnut Avenue, Altoona, Pennsylvania.