**TOWN OF BETHLEHEM**

**Planning Board**

**August 12, 2020**

**HYBRID ZOOM VIRTUAL MEETING**

**Minutes**

**6 p.m.**

**Present:** Chairman Johnathan Stevenson, Mike Bruno, Chris McGrath, Kim Koprowski, Kevin Roy, and Chris Jensen

**Alternates:** Anthony Rodrigues and Peter Roy

**Excused absence:** Marie Stevenson

Mr. Stevenson open the meeting at 6:08. He then asked Anthony Rodrigues to become a full voting member for the evening.

Board members were remote and at the Town Hall. Chris McGrath, Kim Koprowski, and Kevin Roy were at the town hall meeting room. Johnathan Stevenson, Mike Bruno, Chris Jensen, Anthony Rodrigues and Peter Roy were remote.

Chair Stevenson read the agenda.

Minutes from July 22, 2020

Chris McGrath asked if the board would skip over minutes and do the conceptual lot line/merger for Ledgewood II first. The board was in agreement.

Jennifer McCourt shared her screen with the board. She explained the merger intent. Ledgewood II wants to do a lot line adjustment to convert Dew Drop Lane into a common drive, eliminate open space lot 9.20 and give Ledgewood road frontage to lots 9.12-9.16. This will make it a much cleaner layout.

Mr. Bruno would like to waive any future meetings for this project. There was no second.

The hearing for the lot line/merger is scheduled for August 26, 2020. Andy from Peabody and Smith agreed that there needs to be hearing for the project. Jennifer McCourt agreed. There was no public comment.

**End Ledgewood II conceptual**

**Minutes from June 22, 2020**

Mr. Stevenson motion to approve minutes with additions. Chris McGrath second 6-1 Anthony Rodrigues abstained passed

**Other board business**

Mr. McGrath would like to mention that at the last meeting callers were unable to connect to the meeting when using the dial in feature. He believes that this was an illegal meeting. Mr. Bruno disagreed and said that there were other options to connect to the meeting. Mr. Jensen agreed. ZOOM communications with dial in callers has been fixed. Mr. McGrath would also like to have the minutes moved to the end of the AGENDA. He was reminded that the board added the minutes to the beginning of the AGENDA this year to coincide with the Planning Boards Rules and Procedures.

Kim Koprowski checked into other towns having a planning consultant. Gorham has a full-time planning consultant on staff. Thornton, Lancaster, and Whitefield do not have a consultant. Mr. Jensen said that Lancaster does have a full-time consultant. The board thanked Kim for her investigative work.

 Gravel pit inspection will be scheduled this month. Mike Bruno suggested that the board go over the yearly Master Plan updates in the coming months.

Kim Koprowski motion to adjourn Anthony Rodrigues second 6-1 with Chris McGrath nay

Respectfully submitted

Deb Bayley p/z Clerk