

MINUTES FOR GARRETT HILL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING FOR APRIL 14, 2009

The Garrett Hill Steering Committee (GHSC) met on Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at the Radnor Township Building for its meeting scheduled for 7 pm. Present were Chair Rick Barker, Vice Chair Phil Ahr, Secretary Jim Cunilio and Committee members Betty Lou Norcini, Nancy Leinwand, Jerry O'Connor, Rick Eulo, Le Turner and Bob Adams. Members of the public were present, as was Matt Baumann of the Radnor Township Planning Staff and Jim Campbell of Campbell Thomas & Co.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Barker at 7:19 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Barker led the Meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance

Adopting the Agenda

O'Connor moved to adopt the submitted Agenda and was seconded by Ahr. No discussion was held and the Agenda was approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Leinwand moved to approve the Minutes from the April 7, 2009 Meeting and was seconded by Eulo. No discussion was held and the Minutes were approved unanimously as presented.

Announcements

Barker announced the following meetings involving the Committee's work:

The Garrett Hill Executive Committee will meet on Wednesday, April 15, 2009 at 7:30 pm at the Radnor United Methodist Church

Radnor Township Zoning Committee will meet on Thursday, April 16, 2009 at 7 pm at the Radnor Township Building

There will be a guided walking tour of the historic sections of Garrett Hill on Sunday, April 19, 2009 at 2 pm starting at the Radnor United Methodist Church

The Radnor Township Board of Commissioners will meet on Monday, April 27, 2009 at 7 pm at the Radnor Township Building

The GHSC will next meet on Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at 7 pm at the Radnor Township Building

There will be a Radnor Township Planning Commission meeting on Monday, May 4, 2009 at 7 pm at the Radnor Township Building

Report of Officers

Barker read a letter received from Garret Hill business owner Ken Norcini addressed to the Garrett Hill Steering Committee and thanked him for his comments.

Report of Working Groups

None.

Public Participation

None.

Unfinished Business

The following motions were discussed regarding the issues raised by the business owners to the Garrett Hill Zoning District:

- 1a. Ahr moved to delete the word “minimum” from the Building Line definition in Section 280-49.5 and was seconded by Cunilio. This motion was approved without Committee discussion or public participation, 8-0.
1. Leinwand moved to change the Dwelling Definition in Section 280-49.5 from “a building or structure designed for living quarters for one family” to “a building or structure, or a part of a building or structure”, was seconded by Norcini and the motion was approved without Committee discussion or public discussion, 8-0.
3. Eulo moved to change the definition of a Mixed-Use Building in Section 280-49.5 and was approved, after public discussion, 8-0.
13. Cunilio moved to delete the maximum building length standard of 50 feet contained in Section 280-49.6 and was seconded by Norcini. After Committee and public discussion, the motion was approved, 8-0.
14. Adams moved to change the maximum lot width standard from 50 feet to 70 feet. After Committee and public discussion, the motion was approved, 8-0.
15. Turner moved to change the maximum impervious coverage from 40 % to 60% in Section 280-49.6 and was seconded by Eulo. There was public and Committee discussion. Ahr moved to table this motion, was seconded by Eulo, and the motion was approved without discussion 7-1, with O’Connor opposed.
- 18a. Ahr moved to change the maximum impervious coverage contained in Section 280-49.7 from 85% to 80%. After Committee and public discussion the motion was approved 5-4, with Norcini, O’Connor, Turner and Adams voting “nay”, Ahr, Cunilio, Leinwand and Eulo voting “yea” and Chair Barker voting “yea” to break the tie.
15. Leinwand moved to amend Turner’s tabled of motion to change the maximum impervious coverage contained in Section 280-49.7 from 40% to 50% and was seconded by Eulo. After Committee and public discussion, the motion was defeated 2-6, with Eulo and Leinwand voting “yea” and Ahr, Cunilio, Norcini, Turner, O’Connor and Adams voting “nay”. The main motion was then considered without amendment to change the maximum impervious coverage from 40% to 60% in Section 280-49.6 GH-N. After Committee and public discussion, the motion carried 6-2, with Ahr, Cunilio, Norcini, O’Connor and Adams in favor and Eulo and Leinwand voting “nay”.
20. Eulo moved to change the maximum building width from 50 feet to 65 feet contained in Section 280-49.7 and was seconded by Cunilio. After Committee public discussion the motion carried, 8-0.
21. Norcini moved to delete the maximum building length standard as contained in Section 280-49.7 and was seconded by Eulo. After Committee and public discussion, the motion carried, 7-0 (Adams had left the Meeting prior to the motion).

Adjournment

At 9:25 pm O’Connor moved to adjourn the Meeting and was seconded by Cunilio. The Motion carried 5-2, with Eulo, Cunilio, Norcini, Turner and O’Connor in favor and Leinwand and Ahr opposed.

Respectfully submitted,
James Cunilio,

GHSC Secretary