

AGENDA ITEMS

Powerline Trail

Conditional Use – Capital Telecom Acquisitions

cc:	R. Birch	K. Johnson
	M. Fox	Sewer Authority
	J. McDonnell	F. Bartle
	J. Walsh	B. Shoupe
	C. Chimera	E. Reynolds
	L. McGuire	M. Beatty
	J. Glickman	K. Amey
	J. Goldstein	J. Trump
	J. Rall	S. Krumenacker

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

April 18, 2013

The April 18, 2013, meeting of the Montgomery Township Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Jonathan Trump at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were Commissioners Jay Glickman, Steven Krumenacker, Leon McGuire, James Rall and Ellen Reynolds. Commissioner Michael Beatty was absent. Also present were Bruce Shoupe, Director of Planning and Zoning, Candyce Fluehr Chimera, Supervisor Liaison, Stacy Crandell, Assistant to the Township Manager, and Jim Dougherty, Gilmore Associates.

The minutes of February 21, 2013, were approved as submitted.

There were no public comments.

The first item on the agenda was a brief presentation by Jim Dougherty, Gilmore Associates, regarding the DVRPC Grant which is for a feasibility study on the possible connection from the Powerline Trail to the 202 Parkway Trail. He showed a map which depicted several routes that may be feasible. Mr. Shoupe stated that he, Stacy Crandell and Jim Dougherty would be walking the routes to see what may be possible and what would be needed to make this happen. This project is in the preliminary stages and it should be finalized toward the end of this year. Updates will be presented throughout the process.

The next item on the agenda was a presentation of the Conditional Use Application of Capital Telecom Acquisitions for a cell tower at 608 Upper State Road. Christopher Schubert, attorney, was present to discuss this application. Mr. Schubert explained that the applicant proposes the installation of a new telecommunications facility at the rear portion of this property. This is located totally within the Limited Industrial District. The proposal consists of the construction off a 130 foot antenna support structure

and the placement of twelve panel-style antennas at the top of the tower. The antennae will extend to an overall height of 134 feet. Radio equipment is proposed to be placed within an equipment shelter to be located at the base of the tower within a fenced compound 2,450 square feet in area. Mr. Schubert stated that access is proposed from a driveway extension from the rear parking lot of the existing building. This will be a 25 foot right-of-way. He further advised that the tower will be designed to afford the capability for up to four additional telecommunications providers. Mr. Schubert stated that they had also submitted an application to the Zoning Hearing Board for a variance for the equipment buildings to be more than 144 square feet in area. The Zoning Board hearing is scheduled for May 7, 2013. After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Glickman, seconded by Mr. Rall, to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that this application be approved, subject to the outcome of the Zoning Board Hearing and satisfactory compliance with all comments of the Township's review agencies. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Trump gave a synopsis of the Board of Supervisors meeting of April 8, 2013.

This meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Recording Secretary