

**BELLEFONTE BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
September 26, 2016

**Present:** B. Dannaker, J. Mills, D. Gallo, C. Dickman,

**Excused:**

**Staff:** Vana Dainty

**Guests:** Doug Johnson, Council;

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**Call to Order**

- Mr. Dannaker called the Bellefonte Borough Planning Commission meeting to order on Monday, September 26, 2016, at 5:00 PM.

**Approval of the Minutes**

- Mr. Gallo made a motion to approve the Planning Commission meeting minutes of August 22, 2016. Mr. Mills seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous to approve the minutes.

**Land Development Activities**

- None

**Planning & Zoning Issues**

- On October 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:30 p.m. Bellefonte Borough Council will hold a public meeting for the rezoning of Centre Crest. Letters went out and there was a 37-day notice of the public meeting. Yesterday Ms. Dainty posted one on Wilson Street and one on Howard Street. The notices are large enough to be able to see. Ms. Dainty advised the Planning Commission members to attend the meeting in case there are questions. All requirements have been met for the zoning change. Council will vote at their meeting on whether the zoning is changed or not.

**Old Business**

-None.

**New Business**

- Mark Edwards is currently on the Zoning & Hearing Board, but would like to join the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission is happy that Mr. Edwards would like to join them. Mr. Edwards had training on the Zoning & Hearing Board. He is interested in Bellefonte and feels obligated to do his part. Mr. Dannaker explained what the Planning Commission does. What the board says is not final, but rather a recommendation to Borough Council. Changes in zoning must have a public hearing. Mr. Edwards was asked if Council was something he aspired to in the future. Mr. Edwards is not opposed to the concept if the opportunity arose, but it is not something he is interested in right now since he has six little kids at home.

Mr. Gallo made a motion to recommend Mark Edwards to Council for a seat on the Planning Commission. C. Dickman seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous. Mr. Johnson recommended that Mr. Edwards attend the Council meeting.

### **Information Items**

-The High School is supposed looking at plans to install artificial turf on the football field. Ms. Dainty doesn't know the details yet. When they did their parking lot they expressed concern that they didn't have a lot of room left before they meet their impervious coverage. She started doing research on whether artificial turf is impervious coverage or not. A lot of it depends on the type they put on and how they prep the ground before they put it on. Ms. Dainty will send information she has found to the Planning Commission members and she encouraged them to research this and share the information they find.

### **Adjournment**

- Having no further business Mr. Gallo made a motion to adjourn the September 26, 2016 meeting of the Bellefonte Borough Planning Commission at 5:20 PM. Mr. Mills seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous.