

Upper Providence Township  
Planning Commission  
Reorganization Meeting  
February 27, 2023

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The Upper Providence Township Planning Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 27, 2023 in the Township Council Room. The meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM. And was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PC members present were: Jackie Larkin, Patrick Conboy, Monica Shane and James Zaccaria. Also present: Don Vymazal, Township Manager and Robert Scott Solicitor

PC Members not Present: Mary Austin, Andrew Serota and Todd Farally.

**Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Larkin made a motion seconded by Mr. Conboy to approve the meeting minutes of January 23, 2023.

Mr. Conboy	Yes	Mr. Zaccaria	Yes
Ms. Shane	Yes	Ms. Larkin	Yes

Motion passed 4-0

**Public Comments and Questions**

None

**Communications**

None

**Special Reports by Officers or Committees**

None

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

JP Kelly advised that prior to the new stormwater Ordinance that was recently enacted, the Township had two separate stormwater Ordinances for two different watersheds. Separately within the Zoning Code, under the definition only, the riparian buffer was identified as 100 feet. In an effort to clean up and consolidate the stormwater Ordinance Council adopted one stormwater Ordinance and within that Ordinance was a definition of riparian buffer and a limitation to 50 feet. By doing so they had to repeal zoning at 100 feet and keep only the riparian buffer definition and limitation in the stormwater Ordinance that was just passed. Council was questioned on why they reduced it from 100' to 50'. Council had the Environmental Commission review this. Mr. Kelly reviewed what other municipalities use - anywhere from 10' to 100'. The Environmental Commission recommended going back to the

100'. The proposed Ordinance is before Planning Commission to amend it back to 100'. This is for riparian buffer only. Mr. Scott advised that this was looked at due to a statewide mandate.

**Ordinance 547**

Ms. Larkin made a motion seconded by Mr. Zaccaria to recommend that Council approve Ordinance 547.

Mr. Conboy	Yes	Mr. Zaccaria	Yes
Ms. Shane	Yes	Ms. Larkin	Yes

Motion passed 4-0

**Adjournment**

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Submitted by:

**Kimberley McCloskey**

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Administrative Assistant