

May 28, 2024  
**Regular Meeting**  
7:00p.m.

**STATEMENT:**

**PUBLIC NOTICE** of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act has been given by the Riverton Borough Planning Board in the following manner:

Public Notice of this meeting has been given in the following manner:

- 1) Posting written notice on the official bulletin board and the door of the Borough Hall on January 30, 2023.
- 2) Having written notice published in the Burlington County Times on February 2, 2023.
- 3) Forwarding written notice for informational purposes only to the Courier Post on January 30, 2023.

This Regular Meeting of the Riverton Borough Planning Board was held on the above date at 505A Howard Street.

**Roll Call:** Mr. Ruggiano, Councilman Wilburn, Mr. Della Penna, Mr. Flade, Mr. Aird, Mr. Levins, Ms. Curcie, and Chairman Threston. Solicitor Koutsouris was present. Mayor Quinn, Ms. Reis, Mr. Paszkiewicz and Mr. Brandt were excused.

**MINUTES:**

**Motion made by Mr. Martin and seconded by Mr. Aird to approve the meeting minutes of the February 27, 2024 Regular Meeting.**

**Ayes – All members present.**

**Nays - None.**

**Abstentions – None.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Chairman:

Ordinance Review Committee Update – Chairman advised that additional meetings will be scheduled.

Annual Report – Chairman asked as to status of report. Secretary advised that she has discussed with the professionals since she took over in later part of the year. Chairman and Secretary will discuss further.

Parking Committee – Chairman advised that Council created parking committee to address short, intermediary and long-term parking goals in the downtown due to the problematic issues. One of the issues identified and discussed was the time limits for the municipal lot on Main Street. A 90-minute max parking from 8 am until 10 pm will be proposed at next Council meeting and may then be referred to the Board for review and consideration.

Council Liaison Report – Councilman Wilburn advised that the Tree Ordinance is still under review by Borough Council, as there are several factors to consider. Chairman asked for an update on the budget and Councilman Wilburn advised that the budget has been adopted with an increase of approximately 5% overall. As for public events, the Juneteenth Celebration will be held on 6/19 at the Park and the Tri- event will be hosted by Riveron this year.

Environmental Commission Report – Chairman advised that the group has met three times since last meeting. The group continues working on rain garden. The members have also been working on some educational programming for the remainder of the year, including joint programs/projects with Palmyra.

Historic Preservation Review Commission Report – Mr. Aird advised that two meetings have been held. In April, public comment was taken about the Midway properties. Mr. Prichard is working on a simplified inventory list for presentation to zoning and construction. In May, Mr. Brandenberger came in to present on the Midway properties (three lots). Not much comment has been given, since they are already in the permit process, and HPC is only advisory. Mr. Aird advised that feedback was given regarding the design of the porches in terms of raising them to give them a different feel, moving windows and using different materials on the dormers. Mr. Flade questioned whether code issues would be addressed. Mr. Aird advised yes. Chairman advised that HPC has authority on demolitions only. Mr. Aird advised that the group is still working on a list to sort the list of properties. Mr. Ruggiano recommended that there should be an application for the HPC. Mr. Aird advised that they are still looking for Board professionals and a Secretary as well, so an application will be added to the list of items to accomplish.

Minor Site Plans Report – Mr. Ruggiano advised that a couple of individuals have come in to discuss minor site plans, but no formal applications have been submitted to date. Mr. Ruggiano advised that he anticipates an application to the Board for the Martha's Lane property at the July meeting.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Secretary Jack advised that she received and had a subsequent discussion with Attorney John Chomko on behalf of Gean Christian. Mr. Christian occupied the space at 502 Howard Street without zoning approval and Mr. Chomko wanted to know the likelihood that his client could receive use variance approval, as a parking variance would be required as well. Attorney

advised that Board does not have the mechanism for a TRC and, thus, should not give any feedback at present. Mr. Ruggiano gave the history of the property.

**PUBLIC PORTION:**

No public present.

Mr. Ruggiano advised he is handling signs for JiuJitsu place.

**There being no further business to attend to, motion made by Mr. Ruggiano and Mr. Aird that the meeting be adjourned, and so declared by Chairman Threston.**

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Meghan Jack, Secretary