# RICHLAND TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MARCH 2025 MINUTES

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The monthly meeting of the Richland Township Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at 7:30 p.m. in the Richland Township Meeting Room, 322 Schoolhouse Road, Johnstown, PA 15904.

Present: Absent:

Julian Beglin, Chairman Jeanne Feathers

Dan Berkebile, Vice-Chairman

Scott Daughenbaugh

Matt Langerholc

Dave Mordan

Martin Ricci

Bill Lonsinger

Dan Carbaugh

George Gvozdich, Jr., Solicitor Tiffany Shomo, Secretary

## Call to Order

## Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Beglin called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Reorganization

Solicitor Gvozdich asked for nominations for chairman. Mr. Carbaugh motioned to appoint Mr. Beglin. Seconded by Mr. Mordan. All in favor.

Chairman Beglin asked for nominations for vice-chairman. Mr. Carbaugh motioned to appoint Mr. Berkebile. Seconded by Mr. Mordan. All in favor.

Chairman Beglin asked for nominations for secretary. Mr. Carbaugh motioned to appoint Mr. Langerholc. Seconded by Mr. Mordan. All in favor.

## **Approval of Minutes from November 2024**

Mr. Ricci made a motion to approve the minutes of November 2024. Seconded by Mr. Langerholc. All in favor.

## Approval of March 2025 Agenda

Mr. Langerholc motioned to approve the March 2025 agenda. Seconded by Mr. Lonsinger. All in favor.

#### **Public Comment**

None

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#### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

## Regular Meeting Time Change To 6:30 PM (effective April 8, 2025)

Mr. Berkebile made a motion to authorize the advertising of all future meetings of 2025 through January 2026 to be held at 6:30 pm. Seconded by Mr. Mordan. All in favor.

# Richland Fire Department - 1321 Scalp Ave - Land Merger

The proposed plan involves adjusting the lot lines by combining two properties owned by the Richland Township Fire Department with a 0.204-acre portion of land owned by the Richland Cemetery Association. This will create two separate lots, each owned by one of the organizations. Both lots are zoned R-2 and are accessible via Scalp Avenue and Cemetery Road.

Mr. Bryant Greene of HF Lenz was present to represent the plan. He explained that the firehouse and social hall are located on a separate lot than the upper parking lot and training area. A portion of the training area is located on property owned by Richland Cemetery. To resolve this, the fire department is purchasing .204 acres of property owned by the cemetery. This amount will allow the training area to meet a 35' setback. They will then merge the three fire department owned parcels into one. Mr. Greene explained that both parties did agree to the sale.

Mr. Berkebile made a motion to recommend approval of the plan prepared by HF Lenz Company, dated December 5, 2024, with the condition that a new deed is created for the new Richland Township Fire Department parcel. Seconded by Mr. Carbaugh. All in favor.

### **Public Comment**

None

# Adjournment

Mr. Berkebile motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM. Seconded by Mr. Mordan. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

T. Shomo

Tiffany Shomo, Secretary