

Carroll Township, Perry County

Planning Commission Minutes

February 4, 2025

*Approved as written
3/4/2025*

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM with members D. Thiemann, Fitchet, McCrady and Lucas present.

Chairman D. Thiemann asked for a vote to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2025 meeting. Member McCrady made a motion to approve those minutes and member Fitchet seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Chairman D. Thiemann then asked for any public comments. No comments were given.

There was no old business.

Under new business, Chairman Charles Thiemann of the Carroll Township Board of Supervisors made a presentation of the four proposed changes/additions to the Carroll Township Zoning Ordinance which the Planning Commission should review and make their recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. These changes include:

1. A definition of Recreation Vehicles/Campers and zoning regulations regarding such.
2. New regulations regarding Temporary Storage Units
3. A definition of Rural Occupations and the use added to Chapter 138-25. The conditions to be met for such use which will be added to Chapter 138-94.
4. Lighting regulations which will replace existing Chapter 138-125.

Following his presentation, Chairman C. Thiemann took questions and engaged in discussion with the members.

Chairman D. Thiemann of the Planning Commission encouraged all the members to review these proposed changes in the context of the current Carroll Township Ordinances and these items would be discussed further at the March 4, 2025 Planning Commission meeting with the hope that the members could make their recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for review at their meeting on March 11, 2025.

There were no plans to review at this meeting. Chairman D. Thiemann noted that he had spoken to the surveyor for the Arthur Davis plan and due to the passing of Arthur Davis and other matters, the plan is expected to come before the Planning Commission at the March 4, 2025 meeting.

In other business, Chairman D. Thiemann explained that he communicated with the Solicitor by email regarding the State Ethic Commission form that the members have received and whether or not it is necessary for the members to file this form since the form does state the members of purely advisory boards are excluded. Chairman D. Thiemann said he would like to further clarify the Solicitor's response before advising the members on this matter and would reach out to them when he had received a definitive answer at which time each member can decide how they wish to proceed.

Chairman D. Thiemann again asked for public comments from anyone arriving after the initial public comment period. Bill Richie brought up the issue of the Township's private radio antenna height restrictions not being in compliance with Federal regulations and also his concern regarding old one room school houses being used as residences. Member Fitchet acknowledged his comment and that she felt any federal regulations regarding these antennas would supersede the township's regulations. There was no discussion regarding the old school houses at this time.

There being no other business before the Planning Commission, member Fitchet made a motion to adjourn the meeting and member Lucas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 8.11 PM.