

## Township of Salisbury

## TOWNSHIP OF SALISBURY LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA 2900 SOUTH PIKE AVENUE

## PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

May 12, 2015 Start Time 7:30 PM

1. Approval of Minutes – April 14, 2015

## 2. <u>1561 SEIDERSVILLE ROAD MINOR LOT SUBDIVISION</u>

Review the proposed Preliminary/Final Plan for a Minor Lot Subdivision of 1561 Seidersville Road. The property is located in the CR Conservation Residential Zoning District.

3. Review the Zoning Ordinance regarding Honey Bee Regulations as referenced in the New Zoning Ordinance section 403.4.K.11 PETS AND ACCESSORY ANIMALS, KEEPING OF.

This is a permitted by right accessory use in all Districts. Item (11) deals with honey bees "Any area used for the keeping of bees shall be setback a minimum of 30 feet from all lot lines, from any dwelling (other than the residence of the keep of the bees) and from any street right-of-way. If the bees are kept within 60 feet from such lot line, dwelling or right-of-way, a solid 6 feet high fence shall be placed between the beekeeping area and such features. Such fence is not intended to be a complete enclosure."

The Township residents who are involved with Honey Bee Keeping have approached the Board of Commissioners for guidance on amending the current New Zoning Ordinance regarding the wording for Bee Keeping. Mrs. Norma Cusick and Mr. Steve Finke, President of the Lehigh Valley Bee keepers Association have offered to provide guidance regarding zoning relative to the USE of BEE KEEPING.

Mr. Randy Soriano, Salisbury Township Manager sent a correspondence dated April 29, 2015 indicating the jurisdiction of revising text on the matter of BEE KEEPING should be addressed at the Planning Commission.

Attorney John Ashley has also provided guidance regarding the amendment to the BEE KEEPING ordinance as referenced in his correspondences dated: April 27, 2015, April 28, 2015 and May 4, 2015.

Any interested parties may attend the meeting and be heard. Any interested parties, who have questions prior to the meeting, may contact the Township Office at 610-797-4000. Plans are available for review during regular Township office hours. Contact the office in advance to set up an appointment.