

MINUTES
New Holland Borough Planning Commission
November 21, 2019

The New Holland Borough Planning Commission met on Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at 6 p.m. in Borough Hall. Members present were: Chairman William H. Kassinger, Donald W. Reed and Joshua Stauffer. Members absent were Carl H. Hess and Vice-Chairman Charles F. Kidhardt. Also present were Planning Secretary J. Richard Fulcher and Borough planning consultant Darrell Becker of ARRO Consulting.

Chairman Kassinger opened the meeting, asking for action on the Minutes of the Commission's prior meeting. Josh Stauffer made the motion that the Minutes of the Commission's meeting of September 17, 2019 be approved as distributed. This was seconded by Don Reed and passed.

Planning Secretary Fulcher reported he and consultant Becker recently had an update meeting with County Planning Director Scott Stondish and area representative Laura Proctor. The county is planning on a two-year update to its recently passed 2040 Comprehensive Plan. He and consultant Becker will be reviewing the small changes planned for the Borough's Comprehensive Plan update with Ms. Proctor as the process moves forward. Following tonight's evenings review, the Commission should be able to finalize it at its December 17th meeting.

Consultant Becker then reviewed the existing Borough Comprehensive Plan, going over each page involved with possible updates. He noted that since the Borough's boundaries will not be changing, most of the Borough is filled out as to any future large scale development and population growth should be leveling out to a good extent with the completion of the Garden Spot Village's Sycamore Springs West development. There is one small potential residential development area between North Railroad Avenue and North Kinzer Avenue, north of East Spruce Street. At this time, there are no other large areas for residential growth. He is still awaiting some updated information for the various charts and graphs.

After reviewing the initially proposed updates, it was the consensus of the members that instead of using 2010 census and graph applicable information and since the results of the 2020 census will not be available for a few years yet, the most recent updated estimated information should be used.

Consultant Becker noted that he should be able to give a complete proposed update for the members prior to the next regular meeting of December 17th for their review prior to the meeting.

There being no further business or public comment, the meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.

December 17, 2019

Date Approved