

**Planning Commission of the Borough of Matamoras
Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2024**

Mr. Eddie Addison Chairman	A	Mr. Bob Howard	P	Mr. Nick McIntyre Solicitor	P
Mr. Dave Osczepinski Vice Chair	P	Mr. Mark Madsen	P	Mr. Shawn Bolles Zoning Officer	A
Mr. Rich Anderson	P	Mrs. Lisa Salvato	P		
Mr. Danny Fernandez	P	Mrs. Kelli Johnson Alternate	P		

Vice Chair Osczepinski: Call to Order, Salute to the flag and Roll Call @ 7:00 pm. 4 members of the public were present.

Approval of the Meeting minutes of March 19, 2024: M: Salvato/Howard. All in favor.

Public Comment:

Dimitry Roby 105 PA Ave

- Brian Snyder is the only professional who reviews submitted plans. Applicants, not employees should bring paperwork to County Planning.
- Correspondence has been missing from the agenda.
- The industrial zone is an important factor in zoning. Does not feel a basketball court should be built there, especially without the Planning Commission and Council review.
- Minutes have not been posted in a timely manner.
- How do you get a hearing on something?

Discussion ensued; Mr. Roby will be submitting a letter to the Planning Commission before the next meeting on the issues he has.

Correspondence: None

Old Business:

- Motion to table 507-509 PA Ave Redevelopment Project until May. **M: Madsen/Anderson.** Time extension is until June 11, 2024, no new information has been received. Mr. Madsen suggested that next meeting we should reach out to them or advise they need another extension. **All in favor.**
- Motion to table Borough Ordinance Review-Ongoing. **M: Fernandez/Howard.** This is a continuing general review of all ordinances not listed below. **All in favor.**
- 1-Hour Signage Request. The subcommittee agreed to a two-hour time limit from PA to K, one block each side. Discussion was it should universal throughout the borough, streets need to be identified as to which would be suitable for this limited parking. The ordinance will need to show direction of no parking zones (North to ...; East to...) Motion to table 1- Hour Signage Request until verbiage can be clearly defined. **M: Madsen/Fernandez.** Discussion of enforcement ensued. **All in favor.**
- Motion to table Section 124-18 Off-Street Parking and Loading until we hear back from Pike County Planning. **M: Madsen/Fernandez.** Discussion ensued, this was sent back to Matamoras Planning to discuss County recommendations and also proposed redrafting from Mr. Ohliger. Response from Pike Planning on proposed drafting has not been received. **All in favor.**
- Loitering ordinance. Discussed adding “park” to “Public Place”; would signage need to be posted by the bridge and Ave 10?; add including the verbiage “including but not limited to, any public street or public sidewalk & note this is a non-exhaustive list. Motion to add discussed language. **M: Fernandez/Howard.** **All in favor.**
Discussion ensued regarding the right to sleep in the park. The solicitor would like to research the constitutional law before commenting. Motion to table loitering ordinance. **M: Anderson/Fernandez.** **All in favor.**

New Business:

NONE

Mr. Roby was recognized prior to adjournment. Mr. Roby expressed his concern about not having public comment at the end of the meeting. Mr. Madsen reminded Mr. Roby that this is an advisory board and that if he has thoughts or concerns, he can bring these to council. Public comment is provided in the beginning of every meeting.

Motion to adjourn 8:04 pm: **M: Madsen/Fernandez. All in favor.**

Respectfully submitted,



Marianne Brown
Planning Secretary