

**Butler Township Planning Commission
Joint Meeting with Arendtsville Planning Commission
August 7, 2023
Minutes**

Butler Township Planning Commission members present: Rick Funt (Chair), Deb Ruppert, Gail Sweezy, Dave Ryman
Danielle Helwig, Township Secretary, Jon Holmes, Twp Engineer

Arendtsville Planning Commission members present: Kevin Hardy, Tom Leedy, Matt Morris, Ferd Prehn

The meeting was called to order called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. The purpose of the joint meeting was to review proposed zoning amendments.

Amendments:

School Permitted Use

Motion: Hardy made the motion to recommend to the Supervisors that schools be added as a permitted use in R, RR, and VR zoning districts. Leedy seconded the motion. All were in favor with an 8-0 vote.

After further discussion on the Route 34 corridor the Motion was changed to also include MU. Hardy made the motion. Leedy seconded the motion and all were in favor with an 8-0 vote.

Zoning District Change Requests from R to MU for 3086 and 3370 Biglerville Road

This request led to a discussion about the best use for the Route 34 corridor from Biglerville to Winding Brooke Road.

Motion: Funt made the motion to recommend that the supervisors amend the current zoning ordinance to replace R with MU along the Rote 34 corridor between Biglerville Borough and Winding brook Road. Ryman seconded the motion. All were in favor with an 8-0 vote.

Corrections and Changes

1. Home Occupation does not match page 83 of the zoning ordinance #5. It needs to be updated to include single dwelling accessory. The language should also say Home occupation should reflect no more than 25% with the rest of the sentence being eliminated.
2. Motion: Leedy made the motion to recommend that the supervisors change the zoning ordinance to state that existing structures within a home business should be dealt with on a case by case basis for special exceptions within the zoning hearing board. Morris seconded the motion. All were in favor with an 8-0 vote.
3. To resolve inconsistency with parking information the following motion was made.

Motion: Hardy made the motion that the supervisors change the zoning ordinance require parking spaces be no less than 10x20. Sweezey seconded the motion. All were in favor with an 8-0 vote.

There was some discussion about the cheat sheet not matching the zoning ordinance document. We will review and suggest the necessary changes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Sweezey, Secretary