

October 26, 2017

The Supervisors and Planning Commission Members of Weisenberg Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania met at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2175 Seipstown Road, Fogelsville, Pennsylvania to conduct a workshop regarding changes to the Zoning Ordinance. Present were Linda Gorgas, Thomas Wehr, Anthony Werley, Brian Carl, Michael Levitsky, Diane Matthews-Gehringer, Daniel Snyder and Richard Bleiler.

Brian Carl reviewed proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance which were previously discussed. Information was reviewed regarding Agri-tourism in other communities and a list of proposed events from area vineyards. Discussion was held on the following sections:

Agri-tourism

- Non-motorized sporting events
- \$10.00 or \$20.00 permits for special event. Guidelines for special events at vineyards.
- Limit the number of special events per year. One special event per month breaking down what is a small and large event.
- Small Event – simple site plan for a yearly permit. Such as food truck with music for wine tasting etc.
- Large Event – Land Development Plan is required to addressing parking, sewage, storm water, noise, traffic. Traffic not to impact township roads such as parking on the side of the road. Event must be contained to parcel of event or neighboring parcel. Examples: Weddings and Car Shows.
- Limiting the time music can be played to 9pm for all events.
- Egress must come off of the established driveways for all events.
- No permit needed for wine tours with mini buses.
- At least 50% of the product must be grown on the premises.

Discussion was held regarding limiting the number of animals on a parcel. Diane Matthews-Gehringer will look into this further for the next meeting.

Home Occupation Providing Offsite Services

- Permitted in the (R) Rural and the (RC) Rural Conservation Districts.
- Limiting the size of the commercial building on the parcel.
- Business Permit needed.

A follow-up workshop will be scheduled to further discuss the proposed changes along with uses included in the Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian C. Carl
Secretary