

The February 28, 2019 meeting of the Weisenberg Township Planning Commission was called to order by member Diane Matthews-Gehringer at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Administration Building. Other members present were: Stephen Schaffer, Jeff Broadhurst, Michael Levitsky, Daniel Snyder, Allen R. Cerullo and Administrator Brian Carl was also present.

The minutes of the January 31, 2019 meeting were approved by Stephen Schaffer, seconded Michael Levitsky with the correction of removing Jeff Broadhurst as attending that meeting. Motion carried.

Gregory & Andrea Allen – Speical Exception Review – Commercial Stable and/or Riding Academy
(3638 Blacksmith Road)

Mr. and Mrs. Allen were present to address the board with their special exception request. Mrs. Allen is the owner of Majestic Animal Therapy LLC and is the only employee. She is a certified massage therapist for horses and dogs. She also does cold lazer (light therapy) to help heal muscle, ligament, tendons and bones. She works closely with the local vets in the area and they refer clients to her for rehabilitation. Mrs. Allen is a mobile operation and goes to the animals that are in need of care in their own home environment. Mr. & Mrs. Allen own 2 horses and she intends to have an additional 2 horses for therapy/rehabilitation. There are horse stalls that currently exist in the barn and 2 pastures. They just had closing on the property today and they will be doing some repair work to the existing fencing. The therapy horses will not be in the pastures as they are in need of care and will be only in the stalls in the existing barn. There are no new buildings proposed. Diane Matthews-Gehringer stated that they will have to have a manure management plan in place to take care of the manure. Lehigh County Conservation District can assist with this. The manure can't just go into the woods. Signage was discussed and the Allen's stated that they didn't give a sign much thought as of yet but would only be thinking of a small wooden sign only.

The Planning Commission board was in favor of the application. They have no concerns with her request and feel that it would be a very low impact to the community.

With no further business on the agenda at 7:24 pm., the meeting adjournment was made by Diane Matthews-Gehringer, seconded by Stephen Schaffer. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet L. Henritzy
Recording Secretary