A regular meeting of the Planning Commission was held on Monday, January 13, 2020, at the Kutztown Municipal Building, 45 Railroad Street.

The meeting was called to order at 6:55 p.m. by Ms. Lisa Ladd-Kidder, Chairperson. The following members were present: Ms. Lisa Ladd-Kidder, Mr. Tim Haring, Mr. Frederick Engelhardt, Mr. Michael Blichar, Mr. Joel Seidel, and Ms. Karen Feridun. Mrs. Pat Snyder, Mrs. Judith Danko, and Mrs. Carolann Moody were absent.

Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items
No members of the public were present.

Comments from Planning Commission Members
There were no comments from Planning Commission Members

Approval of Minutes
The December 9, 2019 Planning Commission minutes were reviewed by members. There was a motion by Mr. Haring, seconded by Mr. Blichar, to approve the December 9, 2020 minutes as written. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

New Business/Action Items ● Annual Election of Officers
Ms. Ladd-Kidder passed the authority of the Chairperson to Ms. Feridun, Vice-Chairperson. Ms. Feridun opened the floor for the nomination and election to the office of the Chairperson. There was a motion by Mr. Haring, seconded by Mr. Blichar, to nominate Ms. Ladd-Kidder. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Ms. Ladd-Kidder regained the authority of the Chairperson. Ms. Ladd-Kidder opened the floor for the nomination and election to the office of Vice-Chairperson. There was a motion by Ms. Ladd-Kidder, seconded by Mr. Haring, to nominate Ms. Feridun. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Ms. Ladd-Kidder opened the floor for the nomination and election to the office of Secretary. There was a motion by Mr. Blichar, seconded by Ms. Feridun, to nominate himself. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Old Business/Updates ●
There was no old business.
Off Agenda
Mr. Haring asked for an update on two previous zoning questions, i.e., the Tea Room and the Crepe Shack. Mr. Seidel offered some updates on changes to local businesses, i.e., a hookah lounge is planned to replace “Spuds”, a CBD store may be coming to the 200 block of W. Main, and a new restaurant may be housed in the renovated Silk Mill. Mr. Englehardt mentioned that he heard there are plans by Kunkel’s to build a pole barn across from Kelchner’s Cleaners. Mr. Seidel raised a question regarding the boundaries of a retention pond in the Seem Dr. area.

Adjournment
There was a motion by Mr. Blichar, seconded by Mr. Seidel, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Prepared by,

Ms. Lisa Ladd-Kidder