

**Borough of Kutztown
Planning Commission
Minutes of June 9, 2025**

A regular meeting of the Borough of Kutztown Planning Commission was held on Monday, June 9, 2025, in the Kutztown Borough Municipal Building Multi-Purpose Room.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mr. Robert Weller, Chairperson. The members present were Mr. Steve Fenstermacher, Mr. Chad Master, and Mr. Drew (Brad) Myers. Ms. Patricia Snyder joined via telephone, and Mr. Joel Seidel was absent. Also present was Mr. Gabriel Khalife, Borough Manager, Ms. Sharon Dalickas, Finance Director, and Ms. Carolann Bartik, Recording Secretary. Also in attendance for observation: Mr. Todd Greiss Jr.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no comments from the public.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioners reviewed the May 12, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion by Mr. Fenstermacher and seconded by Mr. Myers to approve the May 12, 2025 meeting minutes as written. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

REPORTS

The Commissioners reviewed the Community Development report from Ms. Shelley Grim.

- Mr. Fenstermacher asked if there were any additional details after the Zoning Hearing Board denied the McDonald's at 601 E Main Street. Mr. Weller mentioned that he did not have additional details.

ACTION ITEMS –

There are no action items.

OLD BUSINESS/UPDATES

Trash Receptacles for Main Street

- Mr. Weller started the discussion of the trash can placement list as well as the trash can placement properties. There was a brief discussion regarding who would reach out to the owners of the properties where the trash receptacles would be placed and Mr. Khalife mentioned that he believes Mr. Brian Bailey, Public Works Superintendent, is working on that.

Recreational vehicles & trucks in residential areas

- Mr. Weller started the discussion regarding Mr. Fred Engelhardt's email about recreational vehicles and trucks in residential areas. Following a lengthy discussion regarding the Borough's existing ordinance and Mr. Engelhardt's email, it was decided to further discuss this issue at a workshop meeting.

Joint Comprehensive Plan

- Ms. Snyder mentioned that the last update she received was from David Hunter via email on May 13, 2025 stated that he was getting some available dates for the Municipalities to get together. Mr. Weller added that he will reach out to Mr. David Dietrich from Albany Township Planning Commission for his input.

Review of Hailstone items

- Mr. Weller stated that this item will be tabled as Kutztown Community Partnership has not filled the community liaison position as of this date.

NEW BUSINESS

Set agenda for the June 23, 2025 Planning Commission Workshop Meeting

- **Recreational vehicles & trucks in residential areas**
Following a brief discussion among Planning Commission members, it was decided to follow up with Mr. Engelhardt and Ms. Ladd-Kidder regarding some minor adjustments to the already existing ordinance that covers recreational vehicles and trucks in residential areas. Mr. Weller mentioned that Planning Commission members could get a rough draft together then invite Mr. Keith Mooney to the workshop meeting to review the draft and his input.
- **Data centers**
If time allows, Planning Commission members mentioned that they will review data centers as described in an article that was forwarded by Ms. Ladd-Kidder. There was a lengthy discussion regarding data centers.

OFF AGENDA

- There was nothing to discuss off agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Fenstermacher and seconded by Mr. Myers to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolann Bartik
Recording Secretary