

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOROUGH
PLANNING COMMISSION
BOROUGH OF WIND GAP
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PA
July 12, 2010**

I. Opening/Pledge

The meeting was called to order and opened at 6 :30 p.m. by Borough Planning Commission Chairperson, Linda Paynter, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.*This was a special meeting prior to a scheduled Council meeting to disuss a proposed zoning district change on North Broadway from R-8 to C and/or I-C.

II. Roll Call

Linda Paynter, Chairperson, and Commissioners William Wallen, Richard Getz and Scott Parsons were present. Also, present were the Borough Zoning Officer, Darlene Plank, the Borough Solicitor, Ronald J. Karasek, Esquire, and the Borough Engineer, Brian Pysher.

III. Approval of Minutes

Minutes were not approved during this meeting.

IV. Public Comment

Kerry Gassler questioned the cost of changing the zoning of just 2 properties versus the rest of the properties discussed on North Broadway. According to Ron Karasek the cost would be the same either way. Mr. Gassler stated that for the same price the Planning Commission should consider making all of the zoning changes now for the future.

V. Zoning Change

A. A proposed zoning district change from a Medium Density Residential District to Community Commercial District and/or Industrial and Heavy Commercial District on North Broadway. Kerry Gassler spoke on behalf of the Borough and in concurrence to a zoning change of I-C from the American Candle Bldg up to the post at Industrial Road and across to the Ambulance property. Mr. Gassler stated that this zoning change will help the Borough in the future when the Borough decides to sell it's buildings, to include the Ambulance building.

On a motion by Richard Getz, and Seconded by Scott Parsons the Planning Commission recommends that the American Legion Property be re-zoned a Community Commercial District, and the Borough Oaten Garage/Ambulance Property be re-zoned an Industrial and Heavy Commercial District (I-C). Vote 4-0 in favor.

VI. Old Business

None.

VII. New Business

None.

IX. Referrals from the Zoning Hearing Board

None.

X. Adjournment

There being no further business to be considered by the Planning Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7 :10 pm on a vote of 4-0 with a Motion from Scott Parsons, and a Second from Richard Getz.

Darlene Plank-Turlington
Zoning Officer/SALDO Secretary