

COOLBAUGH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WORK SESSION NOTES
August 21, 2018

The work session was called to order by Chairman William Weimer at 6:00 pm in the meeting room of the Coolbaugh Township Municipal Office, 5520 Municipal Drive, Tobyhanna, PA.

Board Members present:

William Weimer, Anthony Lamantia, Lynn Kelly, Alma I. Ruiz-Smith and Clare Colgan

Board Members absent:

None

Staff present:

Patrick Armstrong, Solicitor and Erin Masker, Township Secretary, Maureen Mills, Business Manager and Tomas Keane, Code Enforcement Officer

Staff absent:

None

Mr. Weimer announced that this work session is being recorded to aid in the preparation of the notes.

1. Pastor Leonon Trawick- Full Gospel Holiness Church of God In Christ Re: Community Center

Pastor Trawick discussed his plans for expanding the parking lot at the church located in Pocono Summit, adding a basketball court and erecting a recreation center, stating that it would be done in phases. The project would require the cutting of trees for the parking area/ basketball court and the installation of a pre-fab gym with an estimated cost of \$250,000.00. Pastor Trawick stated that he was before the Board previously to ask for financial assistance to make this a partnership project, stating that he had never received an answer whether that was amicable or not. Ms. Ruiz-Smith stated that when Pastor Trawick made the first presentation that the Board stated that as a Township they would not be able to enter into an agreement with a private developer on a project.

- **Discussion:** Mr. Weimer stated that the items that are being proposed would affect the pervious and impervious coverage area on the property which would also affect the Stormwater management on the property, explaining that the project would have to go before the planning commission for review. Solicitor Armstrong explained the process of submitting a land development plan. Ms. Kelly asked if the additional parking was necessary now being advised that it is and that the same area would have the dual purpose of a basketball court. Ms. Ruiz-Smith raised concerns with the potential safety issues with using the same space that cars would be driving on as a basketball court. Ms. Kelly stated that a land development plan has requirements regarding trees and shrubbery stating that Pastor Trawick may in fact be required to replant trees that have been removed in order to meet the requirements and that it may be beneficial to wait on removing any more trees until meeting with the Planning Commission. Ms. Ruiz-Smith spoke on the Township requirements with respect to coverage and illumination on the property. Mr. Weimer stated that Pastor Trawick should meet with an engineer and work out the details to bring before the Planning Commission on this project.

2. Other Business

Nothing was heard

3. Public Input

Nothing was heard.

The Work Session ended at 6:26pm.