

Planning Commission Minutes

Thursday, September 21, 2023 - 7:00 PM

Old Academy Building
315 Main Street
Odessa, DE

Those present at 7:01 P.M.

- Carole Coleman, Chairwoman
- Tom Carle
- Michael Callaghan

Not Present:

- David Sydnor
- Amanda Russell

I. Call to Order - Carole called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes

MOTION BY MICHAEL CALLAGHAN, SECONDED BY TOM CARLE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM JULY 20, 2023, AS WRITTEN.

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 3 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSTAIN

III. New Business – Comprehensive Plan – Chapter 3: Implementation and Coordination

- Ideas were discussed to make a walkway from the assisted living to the Odessa Commons area or the idea of a shuttle that would go from Odessa to Middletown that was not DART. Michael mentioned that in the street improvement projects presented earlier in the year, DELDOT was using the idea of a bike path to connect the 2 towns. Ideas would have to be floated to see what the best options would be, and more research needs to be done.

IV. Old Business

a. Odessa Commons – Exploring Options

- Carole read letters written by Trishia Arndt, Principal Planner with the State of Delaware, regarding changes to the PND. Mentioned in the letter was that if changes were made, a comprehensive plan review would have

to be done and there might be an impact from state housing regarding limiting the PND.

- Discussion to table the removal of the PND was made to allow all committee members to be present for an impactful vote.

V. Next Meeting: October 19, 2023.

VI. Adjournment

**MOTION TO ADJOURN BY MICHAEL CALLAGHAN, SECONDED BY TOM CARLE.
THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:45 PM.**

MOTION CARRIED. VOTE 3 AYES, 0 NAYS