MALVERN BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION In-Person & Via Zoom Conference Malvern, PA 19355 July 20, 2023 7:30 PM

## 1. CALL TO ORDER – 7:31 PM

**PLANNING COMMISSION PRESENT:** 

Zoe Warner, Ph.D., Vice Chair Christopher Mongeau, Commissioner Brian Hamilton, Commissioner Geoff Rubino, Commissioner David Knies, Ph.D., Commissioner Scott Oswald, Commissioner Lynne Frederick, Alternate Commissioner (via Zoom) ABSENT: Carroll Singuett, Chair

**Staff & Professionals Present:** 

Corinne J. Badman, Assistant Borough Manager and Assistant Zoning Officer

ABSENT: Kenneth Kynett, Esq., Planning Commission Solicitor

# 1. MINUTES

A motion was made by Dr. Dave Knies.Ph.D., seconded by Dr. Zoe Warner, Ph.D., and carried by a vote of 6-0, to approve the minutes from the June 15, 2023 meeting of the Planning Commission as amended.

### 2. OLD BUSINESS

• Dark Skies Initiative Presentation Follow up.

The MPC discussed strengthening our current ordinances and to help adjust what is in place now to help facilitate the Dark Skies Initiative. They also discussed making sure residents and businesses are aware of the ordinances and encourage them to contact the Borough if they feel lights are causing light pollution. Mr. Christopher Mongeau said he would work on an article for the Fall Newsletter to advise the public on the Dark Skies Initiative.

Mr. Danny Fruchter, Channing Avenue, commented on lighting in the Borough being too bright and having to high of kelvins. He further commented on possibly having lights turned off during periods of bird migration.

Dr. Zoe Warner, Ph.D., responded by advising that is something maybe the new Bird Town Committee can look into once they are appointed.

Mr. John Buckley, Church Street, commented on having lighting be uniform throughout the Borough.

### 3. NEW BUSINESS

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• The MPC discussed the recommendation of having Assistant Manager Corinne Badman as the official Secretary of the Planning Commission.

A motion was made by Dr. David Knies, PhD., seconded by Mr. Christopher Mongeau, and carried by a vote of 6-0, to recommend Assistant Manager Corinne Badman to be the official Secretary of the Malvern Planning Commission.

• The 2<sup>nd</sup> Action Plan item was tabled for now by the MPC since they are continuing to work on the Dark Skies Initiative.

Dr. Zoe Warner, Ph.D., discussed the status of the PA Woods Sketch Plan and the MPC discussed the plan further.

Mr. Danny Fruchter, Channing Avenue, commented that the Borough should purchase the property.

# 4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

## 5. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Christopher Mongeau, seconded by Dr. David Knies, Ph.D., and carried by a vote of 6-0, to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Corinne J. Badman Assistant Borough Manager & Assistant Zoning Officer Secretary