

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A TOWNSHIP PLANNING
COMMISSION AND PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT
OF ITS BUSINESS.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Supervisors of Penn
Forest Township, and it is hereby ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the
authority of the same:

SECTION I

That pursuant to the provisions contained in the Town-
ship Code and in order to carry the said provisions into effect,
there is hereby created in the Township a Planning Commission
which shall have all the powers and duties conferred upon it by
law and any other powers vested in it by law or ordinance.

SECTION 2

The Township Planning Commission shall consist of Five
(5) members who shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors
and shall serve without compensation, except that they shall be
reimbursed for expenses incurred in carrying out their commission
duties.

SECTION 3

The Township Planning Commission shall make an annual
report to the Board of Supervisors showing their transactions and
recommendations. They may employ planning technicians and other
persons whose salaries and wages together with other necessary
expenses of the Commission, shall be provided for at the discretion
of the Board of Supervisors, by proper appropriations and resolu-
tions. The Commission may also receive and expend for the purpose

of its planning work, any gifts, grants and appropriations of money from any other source, including Commonwealth, Federal or local funds, and may contract with governmental or private agencies or individuals with respect thereto.

SECTION 4

The Planning Commission shall have the power and duty to make, adopt and maintain a comprehensive plan for the physical development of the Township and the surrounding territory. Said comprehensive plan shall include among other things, a land use plan, a thoroughfare plan, a community facilities plan and a public improvements program. In the preparation of the comprehensive plan, the Commission should study population trends, existing land use, the economic base, traffic, existing thoroughfare system and other factors related to the development of the community. The purpose of the comprehensive plan should be to accomplish a coordinated and harmonious development of the community and its environs in accordance with present and future needs. The Commission would have the continuing responsibility for maintaining the comprehensive plan in an up-to-date condition, and in so doing, would review and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on all ordinances which pertain to the physical development of the Township.

SECTION 5

The Planning Commission shall serve as the Zoning Commission and may, in pursuance of its duties, prepare or cause to be prepared, a Zoning Ordinance for consideration of the Board

of Supervisors. The Commission shall have the continuing responsibility to review the ordinance and make recommendations as to proposed amendments.

SECTION 6

The Planning Commission shall prepare and present to the Board of Supervisors, land subdivision regulations. The Commission shall assist the Board of Supervisors to administer said regulations by reviewing and recommending to the Board of Supervisors action to be taken on subdivisions submitted in accordance to established procedures.

SECTION 7

All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance, are hereby repealed.

ENACTED, ORDAINED AND PASSED by the Board of Supervisors of Penn Forest Township of Carbon County, Pennsylvania, this 8th day of September, 1964.

Joseph W. Bohner

Burtine Helmer

Arthur A. Jett

Supervisors of Penn Forest Township

ATTEST:

Secretary