

**PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
MINUTES
May 5, 2011 (7:00 pm)**

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Rogers Clements. Also in attendance were Christopher Capano, Robert Gell, David Jarinko and Wib Pumpaly. Ursula Boudart was absent.

The minutes from the April 7, 2011 meeting were reviewed with Robert Gell making the motion to accept them as written. This was approved 4-0.

Permit 11-16, Stephen Ariosa, 120 Caroline Street, minor permit to pave existing gravel lane to home. After a short review Christopher Capano moved to approve Permit 11-16 and all approved 4-0.

Permit 11-17, Gophrey Richardson, 410 Frederick Street, major permit for 12 by 24 foot storage shed. After a short discussion concerning the setbacks of the shed on the property, Rogers Clements made the motion to approve Permit 11-16; all approved 4-0.

Permit 11-18, Betty Shockley, 253 Conestoga Street, minor permit to remove an unsafe tree from the property. David Jarinko initiated a discussion concerning the requirement for permits when homeowners remove trees within the Critical Area and Buffer Zone and the requirement to plant another tree. He was contending that these requirements did not appear in the Zoning Section and was informed that he did not have the latest Critical Area Ordinance. Robert Gell moved to approve permit 11-18 and it passed unanimously 4-0.

It was revealed that Nick Kelly and Julie Roberts of Maryland DNR will attend P&Z's June 9th meeting to discuss Critical Area issues involving tree cutting, drainage area and so forth. David Jarinko will develop a list of topics for discussion. He also questioned the need for a permit when a homeowner needs/wants to remove a tree. Since the Planning & Zoning section is now under review, it would seem to be the best time to clarify this issue.

There being no further business Robert Gell moved to adjourn the meeting and all agreed.