

Wilson Township Planning Commission  
Regular Meeting – October 7, 2015  
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**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair John Mathers called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: John Mathers, Aaron Nordman, Jeff Argetsinger, Ray Guzniczak, Mark Wuerth, and Mel Nowland. Absent: Jon Jasinski. Others present: Scott McPherson, Planner and Marilyn Beebe, Recording Secretary.

**READING OF MINUTES:** Moved by Ray Guzniczak with **second** by Mel Nowland to approve as presented the minutes from the August 26, 2015 Planning Commission (PC) meeting, Discussion: None. **Voice vote: Ayes - 6, Nays - 0, Absent - 1. MOTION CARRIED.**

**CITIZENS COMMENTS ON NON AGENDA ITEMS: None**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Proposed Amendment to Cemetery Ordinance: Scott McPherson provided draft language to amend several sections of the Wilson Township Cemetery Ordinance. Language was also added with a definition of “green burials” while also setting restrictions for them in township cemeteries.

Discussed:

- Amendment of Section 2: Definition of Green burials
- Amendment of Section 5: Require cribbing and physical barriers surrounding openings. Jeff Argetsinger noted, and the Commission agreed, that the proposed language wouldn't be needed. These issues will be the responsibility of the person opening the grave and would be addressed in a service contract.
- Amendment of Section 6: Marker and foundation requirements. Discussed what would be adequate support for markers. Scott will look for suggested minimum requirements.
- Amendment of Section 7: Added language that excludes green burials in any of Wilson Township cemeteries and removed language that requires a vault for cremation remains.

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**OTHER COMMUNICATIONS REPORTS:**

1. Jeff Argetsinger reported on the recommendations from Bryan Graham regarding the double selling of cemetery lots.
2. Ray Guzniczak expressed concern regarding the condition of the Challenge Mountain site. He would like to see it cleaned up if they are staying at this location (may be relocating).

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business to come before the Wilson Township Planning Commission, Mel Nowland **moved** to adjourn, with **second** by Ray Guzniczak. **Voice vote: all ayes by those present. MOTION CARRIED.** The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted

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Marilyn L. Beebe, Recording Secretary

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Mel Nowland, Secretary