TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG PLANNING COMMISSION February 22, 2018

Chairperson Rick Bogar called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. In attendance were Commission Members Joe Martarano, Barry Thorne Mike Mertz, Ed Sabo, Diane Levan and Sylvia Costa. Also in attendance were Code Enforcement Officer Kyle Bauman and Admin Asst. Christine Meeker.

Minutes from the January 25, 2018 meeting were approved with no correction or additions.

SILK MILL APARTMENTS – LAND DEVELOPMENT – 250 W. 6^{TH} STREET

Submission Date: October 26, 2017 - Ninety Day Deadline: January 24, 2017

Deadline for Action – Planning Commission by: December 28, 2017 – Council by: January 22, 2017

Ninety Day Extension Granted by Council on January 2, 2018.

Deadline for Action – Planning Commission by: March 22, 2018 – Council by: March 26, 2018

The proposed project, located at 250 West Sixth Street, consists of the construction of a four story 20,000 square foot multi-family residential building housing 64 units and a related parking area. The building will be a mix of low/mod income units and market ready units. The fourth floor will house a fitness room and community room with an open air deck. Kyle Bauman reported that the applicant is revising the plan to include a storage facility for use by the tenants. No action was taken at this time.

FIRST COLUMBIA BANK – LAND DEVELOPMENT - 232-248 EAST STREET

Submission Date: December 28, 2017 - Ninety Day Deadline: March 28, 2018

Deadline for Action – Planning Commission by: March 22, 2018 – Council by: March 26, 2017

The applicant proposes the demolition of the existing bank drive thru, construction of a new drive thru and the modification of the existing exit located on East Street. The applicant also proposes the incorporation of four lots associated with the land development. The applicant explain that the HOP from PennDOT should be approved within the next two weeks.

There are two outstanding items on this application that must be finalized prior to granting approval

Parking Structure Regulations

It is the position of the commission that prior to making any recommendations with regard to the draft ordinance the issue of air rights and the impact of this type development should be investigated further. The current zoning ordinance has absolutely no regulations, requirements or provisions to handle this issue. The commission recommends that the town reach out to a professional planner or attorney with experience in this type of land use.

Review Workshop

The next review workshop will be held on March 15th at 3:00 PM with Barry, Mike and Joe attending.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM Noted taken by Christine Meeker.