

**BRADY'S BEND TOWNSHIP
ARMSTRONG COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

ORDINANCE NO. 3-2010

AN ORDINANCE SIGNIFYING THE INTENTION AND DESIRE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF BRADY'S BEND TOWNSHIP, ARMSTRONG COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, TO CREATE AND ESTABLISH A PLANNING COMMISSION UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA MUNICIPALITIES PLANNING CODE, ACT 247 OF JULY 31, 1968, REENACTED AND AMENDED BY ACT 170 OF DECEMBER 21, 1988, P.L. 1329 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREPARING AND MAINTAINING A PLAN FOR THE COORDINATED DEVELOPMENT OF BRADY'S BEND TOWNSHIP, ARMSTRONG COUNTY, BASED ON PHYSICAL, SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND GOVERNMENTAL CONDITIONS AND TRENDS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR AND PROTECT THE GENERAL WELFARE AND PROSPERITY OF ITS RESIDENTS.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of Brady's Bend Township, Armstrong County:

Section 1. That the Board of Supervisors of Brady's Bend Township, Armstrong County hereby signifies its intention and desire to organize a Planning Commission under the provisions of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, (hereinafter "MPC") Act 247 of July 31, 1968, reenacted and amended by Act 170 of December 21, 1988, P.L. 1329.

Section 2. The Planning Commission shall consist of seven (7) members, all of whom shall be residents of Brady's Bend Township, Armstrong County.

For purposes of this ordinance "resident" shall be defined as a natural citizen, registered to vote in Brady's Bend Township and/or record owner of property in Brady's Bend Township who resides within Brady's Bend Township or is the owner of a business operating within Brady's Bend Township. Prior to being appointed, all potential board members must certify in good faith that they are willing and able to attend at least half of the regularly scheduled meetings of the Planning Commission either in person or via teleconference.

The term of office of the members shall be four (4) years and should expire on December 31 or until a successor is appointed, except that the terms of the members first appointed shall be so fixed that no more than two (2) shall be reappointed during any future calendar year. In the event of vacancies, the governing body shall appoint a member to fill the unexpired term.

Section 3. Residents of Brady's Bend Township, as defined above, shall be appointed to serve on the Planning Commission annually by resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Brady's Bend Township.

Section 4.

A. The Planning Commission shall at the request of the Board of Supervisors have the power and shall be required to:

(1) Prepare the comprehensive plan for the development of the township as set forth in the MPC and present it for the consideration of the Board of Supervisors.

(2) Maintain and keep on file records of its actions. All records and files of the Planning Commission shall be in possession of the Board of Supervisors.

B. The Planning Commission at the request of the Board of Supervisors may:

(1) Make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors concerning the adoption of or amendment of an official map.

(2) Prepare and present to the Board of Supervisors of the township a zoning ordinance, and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on the proposed amendments to it.

(3) Prepare, recommend and administer subdivision and land development and planned residential development regulations.

(4) Prepare and present to the Board of Supervisors of the township a building code and a housing code and make recommendations concerning proposed amendments thereto.

(5) Do such other acts or make studies as may be necessary to fulfill the duties and obligations imposed by the MPC.

(6) Prepare and present to the Board of Supervisors of the township an environmental study.

(7) Submit to the Board of Supervisors a recommended capital improvements program.

- (8) Prepare and present to the Board of Supervisors a water survey, which shall be consistent with the State Water Plan and any applicable water resources plan adopted by a river basin commission. The water survey shall be conducted in consultation with any public water supplier in the area to be surveyed.
- (9) Promote public interest in, and understanding of, the comprehensive plan and planning.
- (10) Make recommendations to the governmental, civic, and private agencies and individuals as to the effectiveness of the proposals of such agencies and individuals.
- (11) Hold public hearings and meetings.
- (12) Present testimony before any board.
- (13) Require from other departments and agencies of the township such available information as relates to the work of the planning agency.
- (14) In the performance of its functions, enter upon any land to make examinations and land surveys with the consent of the owner.
- (15) Prepare and present to the Board of Supervisors a study regarding the feasibility and practicability of using renewable energy sources in specific areas within the municipality.
- (16) Review the zoning ordinance, subdivision and land development ordinance, official map, provisions for the planned residential development and such other ordinances and regulations governing the development of land no less frequently than it reviews the comprehensive plan.

Section 5. The Planning Commission may, with the consent of the Board of Supervisors, accept and utilize any funds, personnel or other assistance made available by the county, the Commonwealth, or the federal government, or any of their agencies or from private sources. The governing body may enter into agreements or contracts regarding the acceptance or utilization of the funds or assistance in accordance with the governmental procedures of the municipality.

Section 6. All other resolutions and ordinances or parts thereof, inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

Duly presented and ordained and enacted at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Brady's Bend Township, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, held the 4th day of October, 2010.

ATTEST:

Sheila Marcep
Secretary

James Curran
Chairman

Ronald E. Ford
Jeffrey DeJourn