



Allen Township
Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission
4714 Indian Trail Road
Northampton, Pennsylvania 18067

**ALLEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS & PLANNING COMMISSION
JOINT MEETING
MINUTES
January 25, 2017**

A Comprehensive Plan Meeting of the Allen Township Board of Supervisors and the Allen Township Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, January 25, 2017, at 6:00 P.M. at the Allen Township Municipal Building, 4714 Indian Trail Road, Northampton, Pennsylvania 18067. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Chairman Bruce Frack.

Roll Call: Present: Bruce Frack; Dale N. Hassler; Larry Oberly; Al Pierce; Gary Behler; Eugene Clater; Gary Krill, Louis Tepes Jr.; Ilene Eckhart, Manager; Jerome Skrincosky, AICP (Hawk Valley).

Public to be Heard: No comments from the audience.

General Business:

The Allen Township Comprehensive Plan Task Force (Task Force) in conjunction with the Project Team (HVA and CHP) held a workshop meeting on January 25, 2017 at the Allen Township Municipal Building. The following is a summary from Task Force Meeting 1:

- (1) **Chapter 5:** The Project Team previously issued a preliminary draft of Chapter 5 (Land Use) of the Comprehensive Plan. The Task Force provided several comments including:
 - i. The components relating to “historic and cultural resources” should be contained within Chapter 5 (Historic and Cultural Resources) of the Comprehensive Plan.
 - ii. Future growth and development trends should account for “pipeline development projects” that have been approved or are being considered by Allen Township.
 - iii. The projected population and housing projections developed by the LVPC are considered to be unrealistic or are not achievable. The plan will need to emphasize this point.
 - iv. All components relative to “land use, zoning, housing and development” shall be contained within Chapter 6 (Land use and Zoning) of the Comprehensive Plan.

- (2) **Future Land Use and Zoning Map:** The Project Team previously distributed a preliminary draft of draft of the Future Land Use and Zoning Map. The Task Force provided additional comments that shall be included within the final draft.
- (3) **GIS Maps:** The Project Team distributed the preliminary draft of the maps that will be included within the Comprehensive Plan. The Task Force determined that an additional map should be included for “existing land use with pipeline developments” in order to account for recent subdivision and land development activity within Allen Township.
- (4) **Chapter 7:** The Project Team previously issued a preliminary draft of Chapter 7 (Fiscal Impact and Economic Development) of the Comprehensive Plan. The Task Force provided comments to the Project Team, which shall be incorporated as part of the final draft.
- (5) **Chapter 10:** The Project Team distributed a preliminary draft of Chapter 10 (Implementation). This chapter will be issued to the Task Force by the next workshop meeting.
- (6) **Project Schedule:** The Task Force determined that additional workshop meetings should be added to the project schedule. Workshop Meeting 12 will be held on February 22, 2017. Additional meetings will be added to the project schedule on an as needed basis. The Task Force determined that all future meetings shall start at 6:00 pm.

The next workshop meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

With no other business to discuss at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ilene M. Eckhart