

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

## ALLEN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS & PLANNING COMMISSION JOINT MEETING MINUTES October 26, 2016

A <u>Comprehensive Plan Meeting</u> of the Allen Township Board of Supervisors and the Allen Township Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, October 26, 2016, 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.

**<u>Roll Call</u>**: Present: Bruce Frack; Dale N. Hassler; Larry Oberly (6:40 PM); Gary Behler; Eugene Clater; Gary Krill; Louis Tepes Jr.; Ilene Eckhart, Manager; Jerome Skrincosky, AICP (Hawk Valley); Absent: Al Pierce.

**Public to be Heard:** No comments from the audience.

## **General Business:**

- (1) **Zoning Amendments:** The proposed amendments to the Allen Township Zoning Ordinance along with the review letters issued by the LVPC and HVA were distributed to the Task Force. Following a lengthy discussion concerning the various components of the amendment related to the impact of the building height allowances in the Industrial and Industrial/Commercial Zone, Supervisor Behler made a motion to authorize advertisement of the draft for public hearing/enactment consideration; seconded by Mr. Oberly. On the motion by roll call vote all Supervisors present voted yes with the exception of Mr. Hassler who voted no.
- (2) **Chapter 6:** The Project Team previously issued a preliminary draft of Chapter 6 (Community Facilities and Services) of the Comprehensive Plan. The Task Force provided several comments to the Project Team, which shall be incorporated as part of the final draft
- (3) **LVPC Comprehensive Plan and GIS Maps:** The Project Team shall coordinate its planning and mapping efforts with the LVPC. The Task Force determined that certain maps may need to be updated or verified prior to the issuance of a final draft of the Comprehensive Plan.
- (4) **Future Land Use Map:** The Task Force in conjunction with the Project Team prepared a draft Future Land Use Map, which shall be included as part of Chapter 5 (Land Use) of

the Comprehensive Plan. A preliminary draft shall be issued for further review and consideration.

- (5) **Chapter 7 and 8:** The preliminary draft of Chapter 7 (Fiscal Impact and Economic Development) and Chapter 8 (Utilities and Stormwater Management) were previously issued to the Task Force and shall be reviewed at the next workshop meeting.
- (6) **Chapters 5 and 10:** The Project Team shall continue to work on Chapter 5 (Land Use) and Chapter 10 (Strategic Implementation). These chapters will be issued to the Task Force by the next workshop meeting.
- (7) **General Discussion:** The Task Force in conjunction with the Project Team discussed issues that relate to past and current planning efforts in Allen Township. These general discussion points shall be utilized by the Project Team for the 2017 Comprehensive Plan.
- (8) Workshop Meetings: The Task Force previously determined that 2 additional workshop meetings should be added to the project schedule. Workshop Meeting 11 will be held on January 24, 2017 and Workshop Meeting 12 will be held on February 22, 2017. The Task Force also determined that Workshop Meetings 10, 11 and 12 shall start at 6:00 pm.

## The next workshop meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 23, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Ilene M. Eckhart