

## **MINUTES OF MEETING**

### **Durham Township Planning Commission**

**Tuesday, May 5, 2016; 7:30PM**

### **Township Meeting Room**

#### **I. Call to Order: 7:40 PM**

**Attendees:** Lois Oleksa (LO), Kathy Gentner (KG), Stephen Willey (SW), Heath Millett (HM), Cindy Skoriak (CS), Public Member: Sarah Snider

**Absent:** Matt Crouse (MC), Ann Marshall (AM)

**II. Approval of Minutes of 04-05-2016 Meeting** Motion by KG, 2nd by HM. Passed - 5 - 0

#### **III. Supervisors' Assignments:**

##### **a. Durham Comprehensive Plan – overview - LO**

LO sent copy of Work Doc draft plan received from AM to all members for their review.

Changes suggested are highlighted in RED. Paul Gordon, member of Bucks County Planning Commission, will provide LO with a list of protected properties - Chapter 6 - including agricultural preservation properties.

##### **b. Durham Township Comprehensive Land Use Plan Survey Questions**

On Page 4 - Agriculture - "Transfer of Development Rights" - Lois will request a clarification

#### **IV. Planning Commission Discussion Topics:**

**a. Regulatory Fees – SW** No Report. Motion by HM, 2nd by KG to "Remove 'Regulatory Fees' and 'Trespassing' items from regular discussion topics listed on future PC agendas. Motion was withdrawn.

**b. Water Quality - LO** Princeton Hydro has contracted with CCWA to do a workup of the data collected from the stream gauge and give a recommendation. Repair/replace/remove the stream gauge by Red Bridge Road will be determined from the results of the workup of the data.

**c. Trespassing - CS** CS sent the other PC members the Statute on General Trespassing and pointed out that there is NO "Surveyor's Right of Entry" in the Commonwealth of PA.

**d. National Wild and Scenic River System – LO** LO attended NWSRS meeting with AM & KG on 3/14. Next meeting will be 5/23. They learned that joining NWSRS will have zero negative impact to the township or its property owners.

**e. Supervisors' meeting liaison and update – MC; alternates: LO + SW** LO will report the info about NWSRS to supervisors at their next meeting.

#### **V. Old Business:**

**a. Planning Commission secretary** - SW to take minutes this meeting, 5/5/16, with assignment rotating to other members thereafter.

#### **VI. New Business:**

**a. Durham Township Planning Commission Report & Plan, Dec. 1961** Sarah Snider provided a copy of the 6 page, first Durham Comprehensive Plan that her mother, Mrs. Max Snider, helped craft in 1961 in response to the proposal to relocate Rt. 611 through the township.

**VII. Comments/Questions from the Floor...** SS inquired as to the process of filling the PC's open seat.

**VIII. Next Meeting – June 7, 2016, 7:30 p.m.**

**IX. Motion to Close Regular Meeting: SW, HM. 5 -0 8:55 PM**

“Since wisdom is a quality of people rather than plans, the orderly development of our township will require responsible and careful judgements on the part of its future residents.”  
Durham Township Planning Commission Charles G. Stupp, Chairman; Luther Crouse; Dr. Ervin D. Diehl; Mrs. Eugene Kirkpatrick; Mrs. Max Snider