



Upper Uwchlan Township
JOINT BOARDS/COMMISSIONS WORKSHOP

January 12, 2010

Minutes

Reviewed May 17, 2010

In attendance:

Guy Donatelli, Chairman
Cathy Tomlinson, Vice-Chair
Kevin Kerr, Supervisor
Cary Vargo, Township Manager
Chief DeMarco, Police Chief
Dave Leh, P.E. – Gilmore & Associates
Sheila Fleming, Senior Planner –
Brandywine Conservancy
Matt Brown, P.E., DEE – ARRO Consulting

Hal Harper, Chair – Municipal Authority
Bob Schoenberger, Chair – Planning Commission
Sally Winterton, Vice-Chair – Planning Commission
Mary Lou Farrow, Chair – Historic Commission
Jamie Goncharoff, Chair – Emergency Management
Cliff Schultz, Chair – Zoning Hearing Board
Stephen Beckman, Chair – Park & Rec Board
Brett Hand, Member – Historic Commission
Ed Edwards, Member – Historic Commission
Don Carlson, Member – Municipal Authority

Mr. Donatelli called the workshop to order at 4:00 p.m.

Board of Supervisors

2009 Open Space Plan implementation: Kevin suggested that the Planning Commission head the Implementation Committee (less than 7 members), whose task would be to prioritize the short term recommendations.

Alternative Energy Sources – Guy provided a draft Ordinance regarding solar, wind and geothermal energy and asked the Planning Commission to begin its review in February; most likely sources are solar and wind; begin by addressing in the commercial districts; conditional use.

Municipal Authority

Don Carlson reported the Route 100 WWTF Phase II Agreement was signed by the Board of Supervisors and would allow expansion of sewer service to Heather Hill, Eagle Manor and Windsor Place – potential construction commencement mid-2010. Continue to seek land disposal area and the means to get treated flows to those areas.

Planning Commission/Historic Commission/Village Concept Committee (VCC)

Sheila Fleming (Brandywine Conservancy) summarized the concept the VCC has been working on for new development and re-development of Village districts. Zoning may need to be adjusted to allow for better density of commercial/retail/residential, such as location of parking areas and second-story uses (apartments, businesses). Height restrictions, sidewalk and trail ordinances also need adjustment. Bob Schoenberger advised the VCC's next step is to develop architectural guidelines, then work on Ordinance amendments. Expanding public transportation services north of Eagleview was suggested to potentially reduce vehicular traffic.

Emergency Management Planning Commission

Jamie Goncharoff provided a proposal to outfit the schoolhouse with visual presentation equipment, which would be funded by a County Grant already awarded to the Township. The Board favored the recommendation and the project will be coordinated with Township Staff.

Zoning Hearing Board

Cliff Schultz reported that Zoning Hearing Board Fees have been increased for 2010. Our fees had not been increased for quite some time and are now comparable with other Chester County Townships.

Technology Advisory Board

The Township recently migrated to off-site data center hosting. Data is supported, stored, and protected through a Data Center in Philadelphia rather than within the Township building. This removes the operating/maintaining of equipment from Township Staff, and also plays a role in the Township's data recovery Plan should anything happen to the Township building.

Park & Recreation Board

Stephen Beckman reported that Fellowship Fields and Larkins Field should be open for use late this year, however Larkins Field needs netting and fencing installed. The Fellowship Fields lighting project bid will be advertised soon. Local sports organizations continue to expand their programs and accordingly, pressure for field space continues. We should seek support from neighboring Townships who do not provide field space at this time.

Open Session

Don Carlson commented that when Fellowship Fields is in use, the grassy areas should be cordoned off to deter parking.

Kevin commented that the "Village Of Eagle" stone wall at the corner of Route 100 and Park Road has been completed, and bridge inspection contractor "Request For Qualifications" have been publicized for the Park Road/Turnpike pedestrian bridge project. Construction should begin later this year.

It was noted that the trail through the woods between Hickory Park and Eagleview Corporate Center is in need of attention.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Guy adjourned the Workshop at 5:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Gwen Jonik,
Township Secretary