

**PLANNING COMMISSION**

**APPROVED MINUTES**

**February 6, 2012 MEETING**

**Planning Commission Meeting**

**Called to order at 7:30 PM by**

**John Schwab, Vice-Chair**

**In attendance:** John Schwab, Vice-Chair; Jim Weeks, member; Garth Monaghan, member, Joe Perzan, member. **Absent:** Jim Durborow, Chair; Vince Lyons, member; Fran Digian, member; Chris Amentas, BOS liaison.

**Approval of Minutes:** Mr. Perzan moved to approve the December 5, 2011 Planning Commission minutes as presented with no corrections. Mr. Weeks seconded. Vote: unanimous.

**PSATS Township Association: The Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors (“PSATS”)** recently sent the Township a copy of their brochure explaining the benefits of membership in a new division called the Township Planning Association (“TPA”). This Association provides a variety of information regarding township planning matters. Members receive the TPA’s official quarterly newsletter, the PSATS News Bulletin, discounted fees for educational seminars and free web access to the Members Only content on the PSATS website. Mr. Garth stated that he thought joining this association would be of value for the Planning Commission and recommended that membership be extended to Mr. Durborow and Mr. Schwab. Total cost would be \$175.00 per year.

**Recommendation for BOS: Mr. Schwab recommended that the Township purchase a full membership for Jim Durborow and a partial membership for John Schwab in the Township Planning Association. Mr. Monaghan seconded. Vote: unanimous with Mr. Schwab abstaining from the vote.**

**Comprehensive Plan:** Mr. Schwab asked if there was any money in the 2012 budget for the Plan. Ms. Henry replied that she had asked Rosemary Moore for this information and there was

nothing in the 2012 budget line items for this Plan. Mr. Schwab mentioned that Ray Ott knows the funds are very limited, only a partial grant is given and the County is really looking to support multi-township applications. Mr. Monaghan indicated that prior multi township efforts had met with opposition regarding extending services with Modena and South Coatesville. Mr. Monaghan mentioned that it is not in the best interests of the Township to make no revisions to the Comprehensive Plan. The last revision was 11 years ago. Mr. Schwab state that Ray Ott would be willing to put together the application but it would need the multi-township aspect for funding.

**Recommendation for Comprehensive Plan Funding. Mr. Monaghan moved to recommend to the BOS if they intend to set aside any money for the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Weeks seconded. Vote: unanimous.**

**Adjourn:** Mr. Schwab moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Monaghan seconded. Vote: unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Ann Henry

Planning Commission Secretary