

PLANNING COMMISSION
APPROVED MINUTES
November 5, 2012
7:38 PM

In attendance: Jim Durborow, Chair; John Schwab, Vice Chair; Joe Perzan, member; Vince Lyons, Member; Denise Miller, Township Secretary. Members Garth Monaghan, Fran Digian, Jim Weeks, and BOS liaison Chris Amentas were absent.

November 5, 2012 minutes – Mr. Durburow made a motion to approve the November 5, 2012 minutes as presented. Mr. Schwab seconded. Vote: Unanimous.

K&W Engineers regarding South Brandywine Middle School – Mark Kurowski stated that in previous meetings the BOS have suggested a path so additional residents could connect to the sewer. The green line, route would run down Strasburg Road to Doe Run Road and down Buck Run Road. Mr. Kurowski also explained that the Park and Recreation Commission (“P&RC”) is concerned with the pump station itself and the access drive and asked Mr. Kurowski to look into other options. Mr. Kurowski stated that a less intrusive route would be to continue down Doe Run Road to Crossing Boulevard. The route would still require an easement of right-of way from the township to allow these lines to be constructed. Mr. Kurowski stated that he took this alternative to the BOS and they asked him to get the Planning Commission’s input. Mr. Lyons stated that the “green option” would violate the comprehensive plan. Mr. Durburow asked Brian Carling, “P&RC” Chairman, to explain what their concerns are. Mr. Carling replied that they are concerned with the aesthetics with the pump station, crossing Dennis Run and all the wetlands, and cutting through the woods. Mr. Carling also that the pipe proposed to go along the footing of the detention basin there is also a stream there. Mr. Kurowski also stated that he has filed an application with the Public Utility Commission to expand the franchise area. Mr. Lyons made a motion to fully endorse the Doe Run Road line and fully oppose the Strasburg line through the township park. Mr. Schwab seconded. Vote: Unanimous.

Sheila Fleming representing the Brandywine Creek Greenway (“Greenway”) – Ms. Fleming presented the Brandywine Creek Greenway as a partnership of sixteen greenway municipalities and the Brandywine Conservancy. Ms. Fleming also presented the National Features Map, Open Space Recreation Map, and the Cultural Features Map. The Planning Commission members worked with Ms. Fleming in doing a check list of what is most important to East Fallowfield Township and identifying points in the municipalities on those maps. Ms. Fleming also asked the Commission Members to fill out a check list with the top six functions on how the “Greenway” should function in East Fallowfield Township. Mr. Durburow stated that he would like to make the “Greenway” part of the township comprehensive plan.

2013 Budget and Comprehensive Plan – Mr. Durburow asked Mrs. Miller if the BOS approved any money for the comprehensive plan. Mrs. Miller replied that \$19,000.00 has been budget for 2013 and \$19,000.00 for 2014 to be paid out of the Capital Projects Fund. Mr. Durburow stated that he would also like to add \$2,500.00 to their budget for workshops and meetings. The Planning Commission agreed and recommended to do a full comprehensive plan.

Final draft of the County wide Act 167 Stormwater Management Plan for Chester County – Mrs. Miller explained that any comments to the plan have to be submitted by November 26, 2012. The Commission Members stated that they previously reviewed this information. Mr. Durburow made a motion to adopt the final Act 167 Stormwater Management plan for Chester County. Mr. Perzan seconded. Vote: Unanimous.

Mr. Durburow asked Mrs. Miller to check with Mr. McLarnon to check the “Vermeil” tower silt fence. Mrs. Miller replied that she will and get back with the commission.

Adjournment: Mr. Durburow made a motion to adjourn the Planning Commission at 9:10 PM. Mr. Schwab seconded. Vote: Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Miller
Township Secretary