

The Northern Lehigh Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan

Zoning Update Meeting Minutes

August 6th, 2024 at 5:30 PM, Washington Township, Lehigh County

Steering Committee Attendees:

Brian Carl-Weisenberg Township

Linda Gorgas-Weisenberg Township (Via Zoom)

Tony Werley-Weisenberg Township

Wade Marlatt-Washington Township

Alberta Scarfaro-Washington Township

Tom Dengler-Washington Township

Dan Stevens-Slatington Borough

Brian Dietrich-Lynn Township

Fritz Najarian-Lynn Township

Dawn Didra-Heidelberg Township

Curt Dietrich-Lowhill Township

Steve Bachman-Heidelberg Township

Byron Reed-Slatington Borough

Members of the Public in Attendance:

Brooke Lichtenwalter-Washington Township Secretary

Katie Fabian-Heidelberg Township Secretary

Planning Partners in Attendance:

Carolyn Yagle-EPD

Courtesy of the Floor/Public Comment: None

Approval of the Minutes: 5/14/24 minutes approved by motion of Wade Marlatt/2nd Dan Stevens-all committee members were in favor.

EPD Invoice #9, 10, 11

No comments were received regarding EPD Invoice #9, 10, and 11. The County grant agreement has been executed by all parties. LVPC has paid \$43,000.00 back towards the total balance and will continue to pay until they reach the \$85,000.00 threshold. Lehigh County is now paying their portion and townships will pay the remainder of the balance.

EPD:

Carolyn Yagle of the EPD was the presenter for the continuation of this meeting series.

Agriculture Discussion:

Carolyn spoke briefly about land use regarding agriculture. She went over definitions regarding CAO (Concentrated animal operation) and CAFO (Concentrated animal feeding operation). There were some discussions on a Nutrient Management Plan and Animal Husbandry and how these tie into the CAO and CAFO.

Official Map Mark-up/Completion Status:

Carolyn went over each township and where their progression is.

Zoning Map Mark-up/Completion Status:

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Zoning Text Mark-up/Completion Status:

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Short/Long Advertisement Options/Sequences:

Carolyn supplied examples of both options when it comes time for townships to advertise. Both ads contain the same intent.

Other:

Five out of six townships (Slatington is not included) will receive a Regional Overlay.

All townships agreed on having only hand written comments (nothing electronic) regarding the Zoning review period. There would be no resolution needed, only an agenda item for the 45 day review period. An ad would be needed for the public hearing portion.

Meeting ended 8/6/24 at 7:15 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Brooke Lichtenwalter

Secretary/Treasurer

Washington Township, Lehigh County