

MINUTES OF MEETING
SPRINGFIELDTOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
March 19th, 2013

The Springfield Township Planning Commission (PC) held its semi-monthly meeting on the date noted above. Chairman Bob Gutowski called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM, with the following members present: Bob Gutowski, Steve Schagrin, David Sands, Angela Murray, James Mascaro, Mary Holland and Amanda Helwig. Commissioner Tom Bell and Robert Dunlop represented the Township this evening. John Cover represented the MCPC. George Schaefer and Joe Devine were absent.

Minutes: Minutes of the March 5, 2013 meeting were read. Motion to approve the minutes made by A. Murray and seconded by S. Schagrin. This motion was approved unanimously. Abstaining were J. Mascaro and A. Helwig.

Commissioner's Report

No Report

Township Comprehensive Plan Update

Full copies of the first draft of the Comp Plan were distributed to PC members at the previous meeting. Bob Gutowski notified PC members that it would probably take two full meetings to get through a complete review of the first draft of the Comp Plan and the goal would be to present a draft to the Commissioners by May 6th, 2013.

The following Revisions were made:

- Cover title to change to Comprehensive Plan Vision for 2025
- Inside cover; Prepared by the Montgomery County Planning Commission in conjunction with the Springfield Township Planning Commission. Acknowledge Jean Holland.
- Change BOC Liaison to Tom Bell
- Pg. 9 Spell out SRCL
- Pg. 16 Figure 3.2 Should read Population (2000-2010) remove "Density"
- Pg. 21 Math Corrections under Household Composition
- Pg. 24 Mobile Homes? Number is incorrect. R. Dunlop to work with J. Cover.
- Pg. 29 Figure 3.19 Add USDA in Wyndmoor. Change to LaSalle High School
- Pg. 30 Re-Write Sentence
- Pg. 33 & Pg. 37 Public Open Space is too similar to Industrial
- Pg. 36 Last Line, "these" should be "this"
- Pg. 38 Number 6. "within" should be "with"
- Pg. 40 Woodlands on figure are no longer woodlands, modify
- Pg. 41 Second to last Paragraph, insert "minimum" before "goal of twenty..."
- Pg. 42 Correct at top, Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania
- Pg. 42. Picture Missing
- Pg. 45 Watershed Map, Insert Sub watershed Map created by the EAC if possible. R. Dunlop to check on this and get to J. Cover if possible.

- Pg. 46 Insert Karr Tract (LaSalle High School)
- Pg. 47 Doesn't show the bottom of the Township, delineate.
- Pg. 48 Add Station Ave and move arrow on Paper Mill Road
- Pg. 51 Third Line, change to "Springfield Mills and Bloomfield Farms"
- Pg. 53 Should be "The Springfield Township Historical Society" throughout. Update list, very outdated. A. Helwig to touch base with STHS for newer list.
- Pg. 55 % missing
- Pg. 56 Discussion took place on how do more housing units change the character of the community. PC discussed the nature of the type of housing needed to reach the 52 new homes called for, though acknowledged this figure will be surpassed by the Pizek Tract, Borse and Tecee housing forthcoming. A. Helwig commented there is a lack of housing option under \$200,000 (though more because of the current economy), to fill the needs of 20-30 year olds. However, this is why there has been an encouragement of urban infill in commercial / mixed use districts to accommodate for this age demographic. PC acknowledges Springfield does not have the attractions for this demographic currently. J. Cover commented that should a developer come in and argues that higher density is needed, that needs have already been met based on the comprehensive plan.
- Pg. 63 Need an Illustrative Example
- Pg. 67 Update Map and add Bloomfield Farm
- Pg. 68 8.2 add Bloomfield Farm, make panhandle "unserved". LaSalle is "served"
- Pg. 72 Staff should be changed to a "small staff"
- Pg. 75 Can't read text under purple and dark blue color choices. Holy Martyrs is spelled wrong and need to add Mermaid Lane Park on Mermaid Lane.
- Pg. 77 Change picture. J. Cover to work with Angela Murray on this section.
- Pg. 98 Change Image
- Pg. 100 Change Image
- Pg. 117 Move Web Addresses out
- Move Resolution of Adoption to the Front of the Plan.

The PC hopes to make a motion to approve the draft for BOC review on April 16th, 2012.

Motion to adjourn 8:50 PM made by A. Murray and seconded by B. Gutowski. All in favor.

Minutes by A. Helwig, Secretary