

Springfield Township Planning Commission

Work Session Minutes 17 June 2021

Chairperson Dawn Nicholson called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM with Commission members Karen Bedics, Bobb Carson, Jay Fuggiti and Brian Hague in attendance. Also in attendance was Debra Pfeiffer (Township resident) and Jim Hopkins (Supervisor).

Comprehensive Plan RFP -- The purpose of this work session was to review the draft RFP (request for proposal) for the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Hopkins gave an overview and history of Springfield Township's Comprehensive Plan and explained how he had put the draft together. He emphasized that unlike most of Bucks County, we are more aligned with the Lehigh Valley rather than the Delaware Valley and while the Bucks County Planning Commission may be involved at some point, we must keep in mind that their perspective will be more in line with Lower bucks and the Delaware Valley.

Ms. Nicholson asked if Mr. Hopkins if he had a sense of who would review the proposals once received. He indicated that was still undecided but one idea would be to use the task force which had been assembled to review the Township's survey. Those people could act as liaisons with the various Township committees.

The draft RFP was then reviewed with various comments or words added, all which will be incorporated into the final RFP. The most significant change was putting more emphasis on environmental issues. Ms. Nicholson will incorporate all the proposed changes into a final version of the RFP and redistribute it all members and Mr. Hopkins.

2 June 2021 Minutes - The minutes from the June 2nd meeting were reviewed and amended to change "distribution area" to "disturbance area" in item 3. They were then accepted following a motion by Ms. Bedics to approve and a second by Mr. Carson.

The proposed joint meeting with the EAC was discussed and agreed that it could be held at our first meeting in July providing Mr. Sheetz doesn't return with a revised plan. If he does, we can meet with the EAC at our July work session.

Business being concluded, Ms. Nicholson adjourned the meeting at 7:53PM following a motion to adjourn by Ms. Bedics and second by Mr. Carson.