

Halifax Township
Planning Commission
Monthly Business Meeting
December 6, 2010

Call to Order: Chairman Fred Ford called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Roll Call: Planning Commission members Fred Ford (Chairman), Bob Artman (Vice Chairman), and Mark Reed were present. Randy Paul arrived during the discussion on the Valley's Regional Comprehensive Plan. Steven Sipe was absent. The Township's Engineer, Solicitor and Secretary were not required to attend in light of there being no formal business to conduct.

Approval of Minutes:

Chairman Ford indicated that the draft minutes for the November 1, 2010 Planning Commission meeting had been presented for approval. Mark Reed motioned to approve the November minutes as presented. Bob Artman seconded the motion and the motion carried 3:0.

Business from the Floor:

Dauphin County Planning Commission (DCPC): Chairman Ford was under the impression that DCPC was scheduled to attend and provide information on the 2011 Municipal Planning Advisory Services Agreement which would provide the Township with access to \$1250 in planning advisory services. However, there was no representation from DCPC at the meeting. Given that the Township had recently approved the agreement and forwarded a signed copy to DCPC, it was suggested that DCPC likely felt that their attendance was no longer necessary.

The Valley's Regional Comprehensive Plan (VRCP): As requested, representation from Jefferson Township's Planning Commission was present to review and discuss the Valley's Regional Comprehensive Plan. Frank Chlebnikow, RETTEW's Project Manager for the VRCP facilitated the discussion. He reviewed the character areas for the five participating municipalities (Halifax, Jefferson, Wayne and Rush Townships along with Halifax Borough), and responded to questions pertaining to the contents of the VRCP as well as to the means by which the VRCP could be implemented over time. He also noted that the County's 45-day review period would be expiring December 11, 2010. Following that he noted that the participating municipalities could hold a public hearing and then move to adopt the VRCP, which he encouraged.

Public Comment: No formal public comment was made.

Adjournment: Bob Artman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:28PM. Fred Ford seconded the motion.