

MINUTES OF PLUMSTEAD TOWNSHIP  
LAND PRESERVATION EDUCATION AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
**April 10, 2025**



The April 10, **2025** meeting of Plumstead Township Land Preservation Education and Advisory Committee occurred at Plumstead Township Municipal Building, 5186 Stump Road, Pipersville, PA. Chance Worthington called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. A moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPOINTED MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chance Worthington, Gary Talbot, Michael May, Kimberly Troup, Jim Stark were in attendance. Also Ken Lichtenstein-Township Supervisor, Nick Lykon and Liz Patrick, concerned citizens, were also in attendance.

Gary had a correction on the draft minutes to better reflect our desire for better relations with Heritage Conservancy. Kim made a motion to accept the corrected minutes and Michael seconded the motion. All approved the motion.

Chance presented some revisions to Kim's article that Stacey recommended. Kim will revise the article and forward it to be submitted. The graphic will be in a "jpeg" format to allow for printing. He also advised he will be creating the agenda earlier so that Stacy can have it posted on the web site.

Jim presented a draft of the presentation to the Board of supervisors. Chance suggested it should have the names of the members of the committee on the first slide. A quick review of the next 7 slides occurred. The slide for requests and goals for the next year require extensive rewording and simplifying. Chance recommended several changes to the next two slides. Discussion followed on the need for an email address to simplify communication with people that might be interested in preservation. There was discussion on how to ask for access to the Government Information System (GIS) and ways to resolve the concerns raised by the office manager. The slides were marked up to reflect the best way to phrase the request. Jim was directed at making the changes to the slides as soon as possible.

To simplify the process of requesting information, Jim presented a new form. It was felt that this form should be presented at the April 23, 2025 meeting.

Gary Talbot suggested for the next meeting we should have a list of the maps that we would like to see in the comprehensive plan.

Public Comment

Nick Lykon had information to share with the committee on ways that township money could go farther. If Plumstead Township gave money to Bucks County, the county could submit it to the state and the state would match 50% of the funds.

He also told the committee that the acre limit of 50 acres has been reduced to 35 acres. He suggested that we should have two scoring mechanisms. One for agricultural land and one for other parcels. He suggested that the existing form on the website is in line with the county and state forms and should be used for agricultural lands. He suggested that Christmas trees farms, and Horse ranches could be candidates for preservation.

Liz Patrick informed the committee that Solebury Township had 35% of its land preserved and Plumstead Township already had 30% of the land preserved. She appreciates the preservation mindset of the township.

Michael May made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Kimberly Troup seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM

Our next public meeting will be **Thursday May 8, 2025** at 7:00 pm.