

MINUTES OF PLUMSTEAD TOWNSHIP
LAND PRESERVATION EDUCATION AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE
February 12, 2026



The February 12, 2026 meeting of Plumstead Township Land Preservation Education Advisory Committee occurred at Plumstead Township Municipal Building, 5186 Stump Road, Pipersville, PA. Chance Worthington called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. A moment of silence was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPOINTED MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chance Worthington, Gary Talbot, Michael May, Liz Patrick, Thomas Alvare and Jim Stark were in attendance. Ken Lichtenstein, Township Supervisor, Loyd Bush Jr, a concerned citizen, and Kelly McGowen, Township video recorder, were also in attendance.

January 8, 2025 minutes were reviewed. A few typographical errors were noted,. Michael May made a motion to accept the corrected minutes and Liz Patrick seconded the motion. All approved.

Due to pressure to prepare for LPEAC presentation on March 11,2026, Chance suggested that the old business be deferred until after the new business was completed. Jim Stark had prepared a draft of the presentation following the format of the previous presentation. The committee recommended adding our mission to the bottom of the slide, combining all newsletters into a single slide and correcting the title on the slide showing our scoring sheet.

Thomas Alvare suggested that the bond payments approved 30 years ago will soon be finished. Chance is to contact Stacey to determine when that will occur. It was suggested that this event requires a referendum to determine if the public really wants to preserve land or get a tax cut. Chance asked Thomas to draft a resolution for discussion at the next LPEAC meeting.

For next slide it was suggested that we protect the landowners and show the properties identified by letters only. On the slide showing the properties where questions exist from the research Michael May discovered in making the revised map, instead of showing any details we should list all the properties by tax identification number only. It was suggested that we could solve the access problem by borrowing Steve Hicks and having him work with Michael May to resolve the questions.

Gary is to work with Michael to resolve the color issues on the map, and he is to provide Chance and Jim with an 8-1/2" x 11" pdf map for inclusion into the presentation. Gary was overwhelmed with the complexity of the slide of the process and suggested that we create flow charts with several steps combined to simplify the flow chart. It was also suggested that an executive summary be prepared to help all parties understand their role in the process.

The Open Space plan is perhaps premature given the work done in the Comprehensive Plan. If this document is necessary, it will be redrafted to work with the Comprehensive Plan.

The items that appear on the LPEAC request slide should be consolidated. As far as the approval of the forms is concerned, if the Township Manager feels the form is adequate it is approved.

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Ken Lichtenstein shared a draft prepared by the Solicitor documenting the role of LPEAC. This document will be signed by the landowner at the start of the land preservation process. This form will be completed when the LPEAC member first visits the property. A question was raised if the LPEAC member is covered by insurance when visiting a landowners property. Ken will report back on the insurance issue.

Old Business

Chance asked if the application for land preservation should be presented at the same time as the presentation. It was felt the this should be conducted at an upcoming work session of the Board of Supervisors and they should handle the details in an executive session.

The Township Manager made suggestions on the Scoring Form and, due to the late hour, it will be deferred to March meeting.

The Open Space Plan was discussed while talking about the slide presentation and will be revised after the Comprehensive Plan is accepted by the Township supervisors.

The Comprehensive Plan will be presented to the Board of Supervisors by Bucks County Planning Commission on February 25, 2026 at 7:00 pm. Chance suggested that all members of LPEAC should attend if possible.

Public Comments

Loyd Bush Jr. of Stump Road Pipersville Pa. commented that he thought we were on the correct path and appreciated the effort being made to preserve land.

At 8: 58 pm a motion to adjourn was made by Liz Patrick and seconded by Thomas Alvare and was unanimously approved. Our next public meeting will be **March 13, 2026 at 7:00** pm In the Township Building.