

MINUTES OF PLUMSTEAD TOWNSHIP
LAND PRESERVATION EDUCATION AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE
May 8, 2025



The May 8, **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, and Liz Patrick, a concerned citizen, were also in attendance.

Chance and Gary Found some spelling errors. Michael May suggested that the last sentence in the public comment should be removed regarding the county's portion. Gary made a motion to accept the corrected minutes and Michael seconded the motion. All approved the motion.

Jim suggested that the next newsletter could be the preservation interest form. A suggestion was made to add a statement to cut out this form and submit it to the township manager if you are interested in preservation of land.

Chance reported that to this date no response has been received from the supervisors or the township manager on the requests presented to the Board of Supervisors.

- i) Chance will contact the Township Manager to get approval for the Flowchart, Criteria and Instructions by 5-16-25.
- ii) No action will be taken to develop a more robust relation with Heritage Conservancy until an offer is made by the Board of Supervisors. If a parcel is to be preserved the first question that will be asked is what has been offered.
- iii) Chance will contact the Township Manager regarding LPEAC assigning Liasson (one of our committee members) to interested Property Owner?
- iv) Email Address – No. Chance will request instructions on how inquiries will be processed. (Prospect emails Stacey? She hands off to LPEAC chair, we assign a member as Liasson, then we use our personal contact info?)
- v) Update Website Section for LPEAC. Chance has the final forms of the documents to be added to the website. He will seek clarification of steps.
- vi) GIS access – No – dead stick.
- vii) Update Land Preservation Application. 2 forms – an agricultural land and one for other preservations.
- viii) Chance will secure clarification on Working with "County" regarding county and state matching funds
- ix) Chance will inquire on the desires of BOS regarding LPEAC role regarding Trails and walkways and Signs on preserved properties. Does BOS want LPEAC to engage to upgrade and ensure all township preserved properties have signs?
- x) LPEAC will Engage in "Prospecting" for target properties in Act 319 and over 35 acres?
- xi) Gary will contact the Buck County Planning Committee to secure maps on
 - A) Preserved properties by state, county, township, developers, HOA's and parks
 - B) Unpreserved properties broken down as 20 acres, 35 acres, 50 acres and 50 acres and above and also indicating municipal, schools, churches and other public entities.
 - C) A Map showing all utility systems (pipelines, sewer, and water) that pose a high impact on the development potential.

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LPEAC will present findings to the Board of Supervisors on Harrison Rd and Lykon properties **JUNE 11, 2025**

- (1) Present summary of our Criteria – Scores. Summarize answers to questions the Manager posed.
- (2) Coordinate with the manager as to who will advise Nick Lykon of 6-11-25 meeting?
- (3) **Histand** – preliminary discussion to determine BOS interest. Chance will contact Wendel Histand to ensure interest remains, then will discuss with the Manager for next steps and issues for BOS meeting.

2) New Business

- A) Open Space Plan 2025** – BOS asked – “Did LPEAC update the Open Space Plan?” The comprehensive plan that the county is currently working on will include this information and should be completed by the end of the year. We did prepare a draft, but it has no significance if it is not part of the comprehensive plan.
- B)** Liz Patrick Stated that a parcel at 6693 Groveland Road is 33.46 acres and has an old stone house that should be preserved and a parcel of approximately 18 acres. For the Committee to proceed, it is necessary for the owner to complete a Preservation Information request form to the Township Manager.

Kim made a motion to adjourn and Gary seconded the motion and was approved 8:28 pm

Our next public meeting will be **Thursday June 12, 2025** at 7:00 pm.