WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TASK FORCE MEETING TASK FORCE MEETING #6 – PUBLIC INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP MAY 22, 2018

Planning Commission Monica Drewniany Carrie Martin Resident Appointees
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Bill Webb, Zoning Officer Thomas Lewis, Intern

Nanci Sarcinello, Consultant Jeannine Speirs, ChesCo PC Susan Elks, ChesCo PC

Mr. Pielli called meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

By unanimous consent, the March 27, 2018 meeting minutes were approved.

Ms. Sarcinello reviewed the Community Survey results. A total 1,243 responses were received. This was almost a 21% response rate. Most of the surveys were returned as paper, as opposed to online responses.

Ms. Sarcinello stated that primary responders were single family home owners and over 55 years of age. Very few respondents under the age of 22.

She stated that the survey indicates that:

West Goshen Township is a great place to live.

Township services, including emergency services, parks and utilities are excellent.

The Township needs to address traffic / transportation, road condition and maintenance and pedestrian and bicycle access and safety.

Residents want to protect water quality.

Residents strongly favor preservation of natural and historic resources.

A greater percentage of residents are not in favor of expanding opportunities for retail and commercial business than are in favor of it.

The Township needs more walking and biking paths, more public open space, more and better public transportation, and more senior activities.

The survey indicates that the greatest improvement needs are:

Better traffic control / management, circulation.

Better road conditions / maintenance / safety.

More opportunities for safe walking and bicycling.

More public open space.

More and better public transportation. More senior activities. More affordable housing.

A detailed and extensive discussion of the survey results ensued.

Ms. Sarcinello then reviewed the Public Workshop #1 comments. The public workshop was held on March 27, 2018 during the regularly scheduled Comprehensive Plan Update meeting.

Ms. Sarcinello then reviewed the Summary Issue Identification Questionnaire for the Comp Plan Task Force members.

Ms. Sarcinello then reviewed the Priority Issues based on the Issue Identification Questionnaire responses from the Comp Plan Task Force members.

Mr. Ott stated that a detailed outline of issues will be produced for the July meeting.

The next Comp Plan meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 24, 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Casey LaLonde West Goshen Township