

## **Comprehensive Plan Meeting Minutes**

June 18, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Hybrid Meeting

In attendance were: James Searing (Chair), Tim Luccaro (Vice-Chair), Marnie Newman, Peter Brussock, Eric Allen, Nancy Stock Allen, Renee Scally

Public: Michael Roedig (Bucks County Planning Commission, Director of Planning Services), Lisa Wolff (Bucks County Planning Commission, Senior Planner), Planner/Recycling Program Coordinator), Hanna Howe (Board of Supervisors Liaison), Jeannie Litwin (EAC), Phillip Getty (EAC), Cassandra Goodmansen (Bucks County Planning Commission), Tim Marsh (Vice- Chair, EAC), Shannon Pendleton.

Absent: Kevin Morrissey (Board of Supervisors Liaison), Deanna Miller (BCPC), Zachary Zubris (Administrator), Elaine Crooks, Kay Reiss, Michael Kennerley

**I. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. by Mr. Searing and there was a quorum.**

**II. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

**Upon a motion by Mr. Luccaro, seconded by Mr. Allen, the April 16, 2025 meeting minutes were unanimously approved**

**III. Status Update from Mr. Searing, Chairman of Comprehensive Plan Committee**

Mr. Searing thanked the Land Preservation and Farm Committee and their Chairs and their presenters and provided an overview on the schedule for the issue forums going forward including moving the issue forum on the 202 corridor to September and the water resources issue forum to September. Mr. Searing also asked the BCPC to provide results of the first few issue forums in July.

**IV. Issue Forum- Environmental Stewardship**

- a) Mr. Allen gave a presentation on the environmental stewardship initiatives the Township has worked on and currently working on. This included single-use plastic bag ban ordinance, deer culling, and electronic recycling events. Current initiatives include dark sky ordinances and single-hauler waste removal. Mr. Allen also spoke about the gas-powered leaf blowers.
- b) Mr. Marsh gave a presentation on the Solebury Township Energy Transition Plan (ETP). Mr. Marsh explained the ETP is roadmap going forward for the Township, based upon a Ready for 100 Sierra Club initiative. He explained the four focus areas of the ETP: energy efficiency and conservation, electrification to move away from fossil fuel dependence, on-site solar generation, and utility scale renewable energy. Mr. Marsh explained the implementation plan of the ETP.

Mr. Luccaro questioned if there were examples of incentives from our locales that helped with sustainable initiatives.

Mr. Roedig spoke to Doylestown Borough's system.

- c) Ms. Litwin gave a presentation on the Waste Reduction. The presentation touched on plastic waste, food waste, and electronic waste. Ms. Litwin spoke to single-stream recycling, and

Township/County recycling and waste reduction efforts. Ms. Litwin provided an overview of suggested options to help with the issues including policy development, investing in infrastructure nad operations, and engaging with the community.

Mr. Brussock suggested that the Township should look into more efficient options for recycling.

- d) Mr. Getty gave a presentation air pollution and water pollution. Mr. Getty suggested looking at educating the public and promoting testing and sustainable practices to combat these types of pollution.
- e) Ms. Goodmansen gave a presentation on sustainability initiatives at the County level. Ms. Goodmansen spoke to sustainable partnerships, the County Hazard Mitigation Plan relative to climate change, and the Comprehensive Recreation, Parks, and Open Space Plan for the County. Ms. Pendelton questioned if there was anything the County or Township should do to implement building codes associated with sustainable practices. Ms. Goodmansen stated that the County could educate the public and craft model ordinances.

**V. Public Comment**

There was no additional public comment.

**VI. Adjournment**

**Mr. Searing adjourned the meeting at 9:18 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Zachary Zubris  
Director of Planning & Zoning  
HARB Administrator  
Solebury Township