

Bridgeton Township Planning Commission **Agenda for December 6, 2022**

- 1) Call to order at 7:30 p.m. This Zoom meeting may be recorded.
- 2) Requests from the public to be heard:
- 3) Review and approval of the October 25, 2022 draft minutes.
- 4) **Selection** of the 2023 BTPC Chair
2023 BTPC Vice Chair
2023 BTPC Secretary
- 5) **Selection** of BTPC 2023 monthly meeting date and time
>Presently the BTPC meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm with the exception of: No meeting in November and the December meeting has typically been the 1st Tuesday of the month. (In 2023 this would be 12/5/23)
- 6) Bridgeton Twp. Comprehensive Plan/CP Update Lead/Roger Keller:
 - >The Bridgeton Twp. Community Survey closed November 30, 2022
 - >**The Dec. 6, 2022 CP discussion** will be presented by Bryn-Erin Kerr, Community Planner with the Bucks County Planning Commission;
Topic: Bridgeton Twp. Community Survey data analysis
 - >**C C is requesting the BTPC to consider including** recognition of and commitment of the Lenape Nation of Pennsylvania in the Bridgeton Twp. Comprehensive Plan update. If so... should we include in Historic Setting? Historic Resources? Or elsewhere in the CP? Possible language is offered below at the bottom of page 2 of 12/6/22 agenda.
 - >Status of updating 1986 Historic Resources map?
 - >1980 Woodland survey mapping update?
 - >Other comments, requests:
 - >As we update our current 1994 Comp. Plan...
 - Should the Comp Plan Map/pg. 31 be changed? How/in what way?
 - What are Bridgeton's challenges since last Twp Comp. Plan of 1994?
 - Back to the CP Map...What are Bridgeton Townships land use goals?
 - Back to the CP Map... What is our vision? "What do we want to be?"
 - Consider reviewing Zoning Ord. types of uses, with residential on page 3-5
 - Decide what we DON'T want in the plan.
 - >The next tentative BTPC and BCPC meeting will be: 2023 Topic:

>**A few census stats** from: The U.S. Census, type "Bridgeton Township, Bucks County, PA" into their search bar. <https://data.census.gov/cedsci/>

Year 2000: Population 1408 Median Age: ?

Year 2010: Population 1397 Median Age: 46.5 years old; Age 65 years & over: 11.7%; Total housing units: 565; Owner occupancy: 87%; Rental: 13%; Families: 403;

>The county data portal includes a parcel viewer, pipeline viewer, county documents, historical aeriels, ag. and open space properties mapping:

<https://dataportal-bucksgis.opendata.arcgis.com/#County%20Initiatives>

>The parcel viewer has a number of useful overlays, including various imagery, zoning, land use, and natural resources:

<https://bucksgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=2eda3020dd9847eaa00d1d6c0764a607>

>The 2011 [County Comprehensive Plan](#) explores issues on a regional basis.

>With the 2020 census completed, the **latest County CP info. updates at:** www.bucks2040.com and <https://bucks2040-bucksgis.hub.arcgis.com/>

7) Planning Commissioners Comments:

The next BTPC meeting will be on Tuesday, January 24, 2023.

8) Public comments

9) Adjournment

Possible language for inclusion of the Lenape Nation of PA in the B. Twp. CP:

The history of our shared homeland recognizes the Lenape's role as the "original caretakers" of the lands of our region. In the past and into our future, the Lenape Nation of Pennsylvania offers us leadership and commitment for the protection of our environment and the Delaware River. In addition, -

"The Lenape Nation of Pennsylvania wishes to bring awareness to the sensitivity and importance of our ceremonial stone landscapes found throughout eastern Pennsylvania. Some of the stone landscaping in this region are often mislabeled as colonial farming practices. We know this miscorrelation occurs often and is understandable because our practices were not publicized. The Lenape Nation of Pennsylvania has every interest in working directly with Pennsylvania townships and municipalities regarding ceremonial stone landscape site locations with explanations of significance. Our burials and ceremonial grounds are still very active today and their preservation is of utmost importance for future generations. We humbly thank you for your consideration and mindfulness and look forward to working together in the future. Wanishi (I am grateful)"

John Strong Wind Martin, Lenape Nation of PA tribal council member, Director of sacred sites