Bridgeton Township Planning Commission

Minutes of July 25, 2023 meeting via Zoom

BTPC (PC): CC Hopf (Chair), Mike Doyle, Roger Keller, Greg Gerhardt, and Terry Brown.

BCPC: Bryn-Erin Kerr; Residents: J. Barry, Debi Slatkin, Rick Swiantecke; Sup: Gard Holby

I. Call to order

CC Hopf called the meeting to order at 7.38 pm. The meeting was on Zoom and recorded.

II. Review of June 27, 2023 meeting minutes.

The draft minutes from the June 27, 2023 meeting were reviewed. Roger Keller moved for approval of the minutes. The motion was seconded by CC Hopf. There were no comments and the motion was approved unanimously.

III. Bridgeton Township Comprehensive Plan (CP) Update.

Bryn-Erin Kerr (Bucks County Planning Commission) gave a review of the Comprehensive Plan Update open for public comment on the zoom call and through written comments on the CP to the township. Bryn-Erin noted that the CP Update was long overdue since the last one, that was adopted in 1994. She noted that a strong theme from the residents' survey from Sept-Nov 2022 was the wish to preserve the rural character of Bridgeton Township, PA

Bryn Erin then reviewed the CP Update document that was accessible for anyone to review at the Bridgeton Township website, with the chapter headings as follows:

The Township profile

Principle 1; Protect Natural Resources

Principle 2: Preserve Historic and Cultural Heritage

Principle 3: Manage Mobility

Principle 4: Protect & Enhance Recreational Resources & Open Space

Principle 5: Foster a Sustainable & Resilient Community.

Brynn Erin noted the next step is to review all public zoom and written comments, edit the CP where needed, then forward the report to the BT Supervisors for review and adoption.

IV. Public comment

CC Hopf then opened the floor for public discussion. Rick Swiantecke noted that a private lane extending from Leddys Lane, a public road, was not distinguished as a private lane. Bryn-Erin will correct this. He also noted that The Athletic Association ball field is off Bridgeton Hill Road not Chestnut Ridge Road (following Table 19 on page 65).

There were no further public comments, leaving the written comments yet to be reviewed. Brynn-Erin noted that the 45-day public comment period would close on August 12, 2023.

V. Comments from the PC members

Terry Brown asked if suggested changes were adopted would this require an extension of the 45 day public review period. Bryn-Erin said that she would have to check on this matter.

VI. Adjournment

With no further PC or public comments, Terry Brown moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Greg Gerhardt and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8.30 pm.

Michael Doyle