

**Mt. Joy Township
Planning Commission Workshop Meeting
Tuesday, January 31, 2012**

Meeting Minutes

Present: Dennis Bowman, Chairman; Paul Estavillo, Steve Wood, Bernie Huesken, Eleanor Dehoff; Susan Harbin, Secretary/Treasurer.

The Mount Joy Township Planning Commission met this date, as publicly advertised, at the Mount Joy Township Building located at 902 Hoffman Home Rd., Gettysburg, PA 17325.

Item/Topic	Discussion	Action/Resolution	Follow Up/ Date
I. Call to Order	Starting Time: 700 pm		
II. Business			
Review of Comprehensive Plan	Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ag Land preservation – keep high density along Rt. 97; concern for water supply; Twp. cannot afford to pay farmers to be in the Ag Land Preservation Program; allow existing developments to expand, The Links area between Rt. 134 and Maryland Line Rd., and rezone all other areas in Twp. to AC, leaving a buffer zone for expansion of already existing development; leave area zoned RR between Updyke Rd. and Rt. 97. • TDRs – PC members were unanimous to do away with the entire TDR Program. • Historical preservation zoning and emphasis in the Twp. 		
III. Recommendation to Board of Supervisors			
1. Ag Land Preservation	Keep high density along Rt. 97.		
2. RR and AC Zoning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allow for expansion of existing developments, zoning RR, by providing a buffer surrounding high density area: The Links, buffer zone area between Rt. 134 and Maryland Line Rd., and RR area between Updyke Rd. and Rt. 97. • Change all other zoning areas, with the exception of the Rt. 97 corridor, to AC. 		
3. TDR Program	PC members agreed unanimously to do away with the entire TDR Program.		
IV. Public Comments			
!. Elsie Morey	Mrs. Morey supplied background information for historical properties within the Township and presented a memo from Dean Shultz, Adams Cty. on Comparison of Historic Districts to Existing Zoning Ordinance.	Chairman invited Mrs. Morey to attend the next Wkshop mtg. to discuss historical emphasis throughout the Twp., and zoning of VH and V along Rt. 97.	

2. Carol Holtz	Commented on reasoning behind decisions made when the Comprehensive Plan was originally created.		
V. Adjournment	Meeting closed at 8:25 pm, next regular meeting is Feb.14, with a Workshop on Feb. 21, 2012.		

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan C. Harbin
Secretary/Treasurer