

**Mt. Joy Township
Planning Commission Regular Meeting
Wednesday, December 8, 2010**

Meeting Minutes

Present: Harry Tassou, Chairman; Audrey Weiland; John Skiles; Susan Harbin, Secretary/Treasurer
Also present: Elsie Morey, Historical Cmte. representative

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
Call to Order	Harry Tassou presiding. Starting Time: 7:00 pm		
Announcements	Elsie Morey, Mt. Joy Township Historical Cmte, accepted an invitation to attend this evening to discuss the historical influences within MJT.		
Approval of Minutes	Approval of the November 10, 2010 Meeting Minutes.	Ms. Weiland moved, seconded by Mr. Skiles, to approve the November 10, 2010 Meeting Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.	
Review of Land Development Plans	No plans to review at this time.		
Review of Zoning Areas in Mt. Joy Township 1. Rt. 97 Corridor	The cmte. discussed ideas to help develop and enhance activity for commercial businesses along the Rt. 97 Corridor in MJT. Suggestions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Businesses sharing lighted parking lots • Businesses sharing expense of garbage containers • Side walks • Limited Commercial as zoning area name along Rt. 97 Corridor, to help business get approval for bank loans, i.e.: historical/limited commercial. Include word ‘commercial’ is important for bank loan. • Re-name multiple zoning areas along Rt. 97 Corridor to be consistent and uncomplicated. 		

<p>2. Surrounding Twps. Zoning Areas</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trolley services are available from Gettysburg upon request of customers, MJT could utilize this transportation in the future. <p>Cmte. also reviewed surrounding twp area maps for existing zoning areas.</p>		
<p>Historical Influence</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was suggested that an ordinance be written to protect the historic areas in the twp to keep the charm in MJT and preserve areas rich in history of the twp. Limited Commercial zoning could be an overlay of a historic or village area. Ms. Morey stated that an error was made on the Twp Historic Property Map. The map is currently being updated for new property owners and locations. 		
<p>Other Business</p>			
<p>1, MJT Business Association</p>	<p>Chairman Tassou discussed with the cmte. advantages of encouraging MJT businesses to form a MJT Business Association.</p>	<p>Mr. Tassou will present the idea of a Business Association to Board of Supervisors and request use of Twp building for meetings.</p> <p>Secretary to provide list of businesses that participated in the twp Open House in August.</p>	<p>Forward to Supervisors' Mtg, 12/16/2010</p>
<p>2. Rock Creek Corridor Project Grant</p>	<p>Ms. Weiland inquired as to the status of the Rock Creek Corridor Project. Last year, PennDot offered the twp a study of this area, under a Smart Transportation Project, in preparation for future commercial and residential growth along the Rt. 97 corridor.</p>	<p>Ms. Weiland will present request for information about the Rock Creek Corridor Project to the Board of Supervisors.</p>	<p>Forward to Supervisors' Mtg, 12/16/2010</p>
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Meeting closed at 8:13 pm., next meeting is Jan. 12th</p>		

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan C. Harbin
Secretary/Treasurer