

PENNSBURY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2023

Chairman Dennis Smith call the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Present: Dennis Smith, Kay Ellsworth, Mike Clements, Alan Matas and Katheen Howley. The minutes of July 25, 2023 were approved as submitted.

BRANDYWINE CONSERVANCY-VISION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM GRANT - Grant DeCosta, Olivia Falcone and John Snook were present to discuss the next steps in submitting a grant application on behalf of the Township to Chester County Planning Commission. The deadline for submission is September 8, 2023. Grant DeCosta stated they attended a pre-application meeting with the County last Friday and received some good feedback from Carol Stauffer who has done work for the Township in past years. The County did note the age of the township Comprehensive Plan and some of the data that will be researched in the project will be helpful with an update of the Comp Plan. Mr. DeCosta also noted the County share is not 70% but 60% and the Township share is 40%. He believes the extra 10% can be picked up through a Wm. Penn Grant since they will be assessing our flood plan management. A commitment letter from the township signed at the last Supervisor's meeting will be updated and resigned for inclusion in the VPP application due in the County on September 8th. The Planning Commission members will be sending the Conservancy their comments on discussions they have had regarding protection of specimen trees as well as riparian buffer zones. Members thanked the Conservancy for the updated information and look forward to working with them soon.

Kay Ellsworth went over drafts addressing member comments on protection of specimen trees and riparian buffer zones. Proposed changes were reviewed by members and agreed upon. The drafts will be updated and sent to Ms. Howley to forward onto the Conservancy as they prepare the VPP application.

Dennis Smith stated the next PC meeting will be September 26th. The tentative agenda is the McAnally 2 lot subdivision and Atkins subdivision. Ms. Howley will check with the CU applicants for 1301 Brintons Bridge Road to determine if they plan on attending that meeting. Mr. Smith also went over the recent decisions rendered from the Zoning Hearing Board.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Howley
Recording Secretary