

**WHITPAIN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
JANUARY 2009**

A work session of the Whitpain Township Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at 6:45 PM at the Whitpain Township Building, 960 Wentz Road, Blue Bell, PA for the purpose of reviewing the agenda of the public meeting to be held that evening. Planning Commission members George Felici, Vince Philomeno, Kenneth Corti, Daniel Kluger, Rick Shorin, Mark Clemm, and Harry Phifer were present. Township Engineer Roman M. Pronczak, and Recording Secretary Michele Alifano were also present. Township Planning Consultant E. Van Rieker and Assistant Township Engineer Jim Blanch were absent.

1. Mr. Pronczak began with formal introductions of the Planning Commission for the two newly appointed members, Harry Phifer and Mark Clemm. He also provided an overview of what the Planning Commission does, explaining that they are an advisory board whose primary role is to determine how the Township will deal with zoning issues and rezoning classifications. He explained the various types of applications that come before the Planning Commission, including subdivision, land development, zoning, and text amendments. Mr. Pronczak added that an added responsibility of the Planning Commission is to ensure that all applications are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan of the Township. He mentioned several properties that are still the cause of potential controversy including Unisys, Wings Field, and Reed's, and he explained their significance within the Township.

Mr. Anthony Greco from the Board of Supervisors was present at the meeting, and he provided a history of the Planning Commission from his tenure in the 1970's. He stated that the County would send their planning consultant to oversee the proposed activity of Whitpain Township. A decision was eventually made for the Township to hire its own planning consultant, so as to concentrate on what would be most beneficial for the Township, as opposed to the County.

2. The Planning Commission discussed the election of its officers, as well as the meeting dates and times for 2009.

The work session adjourned at 7:30 PM, at which time the Planning Commission members left for the public meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Alifano, Recording Secretary

**WHITPAIN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
JANUARY 2009**

The first meeting of the Whitpain Township Planning Commission for the year 2009 was held on Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at the Whitpain Township Building, 960 Wentz Road, Blue Bell, PA. Chairman George Felici presided with Commission members Kenneth Corti, Vince Philomeno, Daniel Kluger, Rick Shorin, Mark Clemm, and Harry Phifer present. Township Engineer Roman M. Pronczak and Recording Secretary Michele Alifano were also present. Township Planning Consultant E. Van Rieker and Assistant Township Engineer Jim Blanch were absent. There were no members of the public in attendance at this meeting.

Chairman Felici called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

1. Re-organization

A. Election of Officers.

A motion was made by Mr. Philomeno, seconded by Mr. Shorin, to elect George Felici as Chairman. Ken Corti as Vice Chairman, and Vincent Philomeno as Secretary. The motion passed 7-0.

B. Set Meeting Dates and Times for 2009.

A motion was made by Mr. Corti, seconded by Mr. Clemm, to set the meeting dates and times for the year 2009 as follows: The Planning Commission will meet on the second Tuesday of each month, with the work session to begin promptly at 6:45 PM and the public meeting to begin at 7:30 PM. The Planning Commission will recess in the month of August. The meeting dates for 2009 are as follows:

January 13	June 9
February 10	July 14
March 10	September 8
April 14	October 13
May 12	November 10
	December 8

The motion passed 7-0.

2. Approval of minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Clemm, seconded by Mr. Corti, to approve the

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minutes of the December 9, 2008 meeting of the Planning Commission. The motion passed 7-0.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, a motion was made by Mr.Clemm, and seconded by Mr.Corti to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent Philomeno, Secretary