Penn Township Planning Commission Minutes August 23, 2010

Chairman, Dan Kuruna called the 8.23.10 regular meeting of the Penn Township Planning Commission to order at 7:05 pm. **Members present included;** Dan Kuruna, Mike Savidge, Shane Kerstetter, Ben Moyer and Mike Kuhns. **Members absent:** Brian Wentzel and Bill Moyer. . **Also Present:** Solicitor, Jeff Edmunds and Brenda Moyer, Planning Commission Secretary. **Members of the Public Present:** None

Approval of Minutes

Shane Kerstetter made motion to approve the minutes from July 26, 2010 as presented; Mike Savidge seconded the motion, and minutes were approved by commission acclamation. Public Comment

none

Persons Present To Be Heard

none

New Business

Dan Kuruna talked about a visit to the Township from Penn DOT in reference to the intersection at 522, Salem Road and University Ave. Penn DOT is in the early stages of possible development or alteration of this intersection. A call and a John McConnelly (368-4360) at Penn DOT by ZO Tom Snyder indicated they would contact the Township in the future to set up a meeting. Planning Commission ask that they be notified of this meeting and would like to attend.

Dan also presented a request from SEDA-COG a request for Long Range Transportation Plan Projects. PC compiled a list of projects they felt would benefit out area. These include:

- 1. connector road from Clifford to Route 35
- 2. to consider access to the "thruway" at or near the Mill Road, Route 204 area, thinking this would service the growing New Berlin, Kratzerville area and possibly alleviate through traffic from Mill Road to 11 and 15 and the downtown.
- 3. Commercial air from Penns Valley airport
- 4. bike path was also mentioned
- 5. more public access sites to Penns Creek
- 6. rebuilding of Middle Creek Dam

This information will be forwarded to the Supervisors to see if they would want to submit any project ideas to SEDA –COG. The deadline for submission is September 30th, 2010.

Old Business

Revising of the ordinances was discussed. Proposed amendments to Section 506, Signs, from ZO was discussed and PC will return next meeting with some conclusions to these. PC also agreed to develop a definition for "improvements" in reference to the zoning ordinance. Also, more discussion on setbacks in reference to pools, decking, patios, sidewalks, driveways. Commission agreed to put thought into this and present at next meeting. Section 508 and 1102 (C) in zoning were brought into this discussion.

<u>FYI</u>

Adjournment

The August 23, 2010 meeting of the Penn Township Planning Commission was adjourned by motion of Shane Kerstetter; seconded by Ben Moyer and Commission acclamation at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Moyer PC Secretary

^{*} The latter two may not be considered transportation initiatives but do indicate some of the possible wants, needs, or improvements our community could be looking for.