

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

## Meeting Minutes

**Date:** September 12, 2017

**Re:** Monthly Meeting

**Attendance:** Chairman Doug Callantine, Assistant Township Manager Tara Wehmeyer, Com. John Spiegelman, Bruce Goodman, Mike McPaul, Christopher Lionetti, Michael Markman, Elizabeth Smith, Randee Elton, Wendy Klinghoffer, Van Strother, Maria Wyrsta

**Background:** The Economic Development Committee is strictly an advisory committee and takes no action on Township matters required under state legislation. Economic Development Committee meetings are essentially a workshop environment for Economic Development policies, programs, or projects which develop over a considerable length of time. When finalized, programs and projects are presented for public discussion to the Commissioners under the Public Affairs agenda. As such, minutes are summary in nature and not verbatim.

### General Discussion:

- 1.) Welcome by Doug Callantine
- 2.) Tara Wehmeyer's responsibilities will now be utilized more with the Township Manager. Tara introduced Van Strother as the new Economic Development Director and Maria Wyrsta to perform administrative functions.
- 3.) Old York/Susquehanna Road Project Update - Commissioner John Spiegelman
  - a. Update on Property Acquisition for 1100/1102 Old York Road
  - b. Several members gave various comments on the condemnation process
- 4.) Vacant Property Review Board Committee
  - a. Scheduled to meet at the Grove House on Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. for a Walk along Easton Road in Roslyn to check the conditions of vacant properties
- 5.) Township Line Road
  - a. Mike McPaul will do an inventory of decorative street lights
  - b. Maintenance and repair of the decorative street lights is the responsibility of the Public Works Department
  - c. Finalizing dates for meeting with business/property owners seeking advice to include Commissioners DiPlacido and Rothman

**Take Away:** None

**Action Items:** Presentation(s)

**Next Steps:** None

**Next Meeting:** October 3, 2017 at 7:30 a.m.

**Abington Township Board of Commissioners Room**