

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION  
UPPER POTTSBRO TOWNSHIP**

**January 12, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Upper Pottsgrove Planning Commission was held on Monday, January 12, 2009, at the Upper Pottsgrove Administrative Office, 1409 Farmington Avenue, with Elwood Taylor, Herb Miller, John Bealer, John Ungerman and Donald Nice present. Also present were County Planner Mike Narcowich, Leo Scott and Township Wastewater Engineer Chris Hannum of LTL Consultants, Township Manger Jack Layne and Recording Secretary Michelle Reddick. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Taylor at 6:03 p.m. There was no one in the audience.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Michelle advised the minutes from the December, 2008 meeting are not yet ready for approval since they have not been completed.

**GRANT FUNDING REQUEST – H2O PA GRANT PROGRAM – Request for Comprehensive Planning Consistency Review and Approval** – Mr. Taylor advised that the Planning Commission needs to review and approve the projects proposed under the grant application for consistency with the Township’s Comprehensive Plan. Wastewater Engineer Chris Hannum briefly reviewed the proposed projects. He explained the Farmington Avenue West Phase I project is the first of a two-phase project to install public sewer lines along Farmington Avenue from the Halfway House out to Route 100 and also including the properties located on Chestnut Grove Road. He further explained that although this project is already completed, it is still eligible for funding since it was done within the last 12 months. The second project is the Farmington Avenue West Phase II which is the second phase which includes installing public sewer lines to approximately 40-45 homes along Farmington Avenue from Route 100 out to Evans Road that have failing septic systems. The flows from this project would go to the pumping station located on Pineford Road. The third project is the Regal Oaks pumping station project which is being designed to decommission the existing Cherrytree Farms pumping station and the Regal Oaks private treatment facility. The fourth project is the Regal Oaks Sewer Project Phase 2 which includes hooking up 57 homes in the Regal Oaks development to public sewer. The final project is the Regal Oaks Water Project which includes installing a public water system in the Regal Oaks development. The water would be supplied by Superior Water Company. In response to a concern expressed by County Planner Mike Narcowich, Mr. Hannum advised that the current projects being designed are sized for all the proposed development and allow for other potential development. In response to a question and a concern from Mr. Ungerman, Mr. Taylor advised the current proposed projects will not be extended to include the homes on Farmington Avenue from Evans Road out to Gross Road. A motion by Ungerman, seconded by Miller, to authorize a letter to be sent to the Board of Commissioners advising that the Planning Commission has reviewed the proposed projects and finds these projects to be consistent with the Pottstown Metropolitan Regional Comprehensive Plan (adopted by the Township in 2005), the Montgomery County Comprehensive Plan and local land use regulations that impact the area. All aye votes.

**NOVEMBER, 2009 MEETING** – Mr. Layne advised that the November 9, 2009 Planning Commission meeting will conflict with the Township’s mandatory emergency management training exercise scheduled for that same evening. Mr. Layne suggested the Planning Commission considering meeting on Tuesday, November 10, 2009 instead. The Planning Commission agreed to reschedule the November meeting from November 9<sup>th</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT** – A motion by Nice, seconded by Bealer, to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. All aye votes.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Reddick  
Recording Secretary