

Friends of Worcester meeting minutes Meeting date: May 9, 2007

An abbreviated business meeting was held in order to make time for a discussion with our guest, State Representative Jay Moyer.

Review of Minutes. The April minutes were approved and will be posted on the website.

Fundraising/Hospitality. We discussed the schedule for the Food Tent at the Horse Show on June 2.

Township Reports.

Board of Supervisors. The BOS approved the application of the Cuce family for admission into the Worcester ASA. This is the first step in qualifying this farm for preservation in the Farmland Preservation Program.

At the April 18 meeting, the board heard a presentation on the possible acquisition of the North Penn Army Reserve base, at no cost to the township, for public park and recreational purposes under the Federal Lands to Parks Program.

Planning Commission. The Planning Commission is working on the revision of the Comprehensive Plan and on the Historic Resource Overlay District ordinance. The Planning Commission's May 10 work session will be a discussion of the issues surrounding the expansion of the PA Turnpike.

Zoning Hearing Board. A variance to allow two lots to share an undersized flag driveway on Kriebel Mill Rd was continued for 90 days, at the applicant's request.

Joint Meeting. The next Joint Meeting is scheduled for June 4.

Outreach. The FOW/FLP stormwater workshop will be held Wednesday, May 23, at 7:30 p.m. in Community Hall. Representatives of the Pennsylvania Environmental Council and Miller Pump will be making presentations.

New Business.

FOW welcomed Representative Jay Moyer. A number of residents attended the meeting with concerns about the widening of the PA Turnpike, including the construction and design of noise walls, the location of stormwater management structures, the destruction of wooded buffers, and the diversion of traffic onto local roads during the bridge reconstruction phase of the project.

Rep. Moyer assured residents of his commitment to the preservation of open space and historic resources.

FOW 2007 meeting dates and upcoming events:

Meetings:

The monthly meeting schedule will resume in September.

Events:

FOW Food Tent at the Farmers Union Horse Show, Saturday, June 2, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m at Heyser Field in Fairview Village.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Caughlan