



**MINUTES**

**FOX CHAPEL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 4, 2024**

PRESENT: Harrison Lauer, Chairperson; Jeffrey B. Todd, James M. Royston, Wesley W. Posvar, Donald F. Smith, Jr., Members; Dan Moretti, Zoning Administrator; Shawn M. Peterson, Borough Secretary

ALSO

PRESENT: Frederick C. Leech, Councilmember; Jim Pashek, Jenni Easton, Pashek +MTR; Melinda Guinn, Park Commission Member

VIA ZOOM: Alex Krist

Mr. Lauer called the meeting to order at 6 PM.

Pashek +MTR Presentation of the Comprehensive Plan

Mr. Lauer introduced Jenni Easton from Pashek +MTR. Ms. Easton provided a summary of the content of *Plan for Our Future*, the Joint Comprehensive Plan for Fox Chapel Borough and O'Hara Township, and comments submitted during the 45-day Public and Agency Comment Period on the draft Plan from Allegheny County and business owners and residents of the two municipalities.

She stated that O'Hara Township's Planning Commission had recommended the approval of the Plan without further changes beyond those identified in the memo to its Council. O'Hara's Council met on September 3, 2024, and will advertise a public meeting for October 1, 2024, to hear public comments concerning the adoption of the Plan.

Ms. Easton said that if the Fox Chapel Planning Commission recommends to Borough Council that the Plan be approved, a public hearing has been advertised for September 16, 2024, at 6 PM. If the Councils agree to approve the Plan, a resolution will be adopted.

Planning Commission Review of Comments and Recommendations to Council

Mr. Smith stated he was able to see the process from several different perspectives: as a business owner in O'Hara Township, a resident of the Borough, and a member of the Planning Commission. He stated the collaboration between the two municipalities was important as the Borough is essentially residential, while the business interests are mostly in O'Hara.

Mr. Lauer stated that a lot of the comments were complimentary to the Plan. He also said the comments were suggestions on ways to implement the Plan, not on how to change it.

Mr. Lauer moved to recommend to Council the approval of the *Plan for Our Future*, the Joint Comprehensive Plan for Fox Chapel Borough and O'Hara Township, as it's now drafted, with a few changes made in Ms. Easton's August 14, 2024, memo. Mr. Todd seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

With no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM.

SHAWN M. PETERSON  
Borough Secretary