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September 23, 2009

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MEETING**

The Conewago Township Board of Supervisors held a Public Hearing on the Proposed Comprehensive Plan on Wednesday, September 23, 2009 at the Conewago Elementary School. The following were in attendance:

John Rochat	Philip Tumminia	Kent Bachmann
Jay Brandt	Eugene Shelly	Rosalie Sarfert
Galen Shelly	Jonathan M Crist	Barbara Seibert
Dolores Kuntz	Jerry Kreider	Edward Seibert
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Sue Fankhanel	Galen Hitz	Frank Graybill
Sue Curry	Dennis Meily	Virginia Graybill
	Walter Meily	plus others not signed in

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rochat at 7:05 P. M. Chairman Rochat explained that we are here to receive public comments on the proposed Comprehensive Plan. The meeting was turned over to Frank Chlebnikow, from Rettew Associates. Frank explained how we came up with this plan. He noted the percentages of how much acreage is in each category.

Agricultural District we now have 5,578 acres or 54% of the Township  
Rural Resources we now have 3,120 acres or 30% of the Township  
Low Density Residential we now have 1,104 acres or 11% in the Township  
Commercial/Light Industrial we now have 375 acres or 4% in the Township  
Industrial we now have 56 acres or .50% in the Township.

The former Mixed Use Area is now in the Low Density Area.

Public Comments were received by the following people:

Joel Buckley, 261 Dogwood Drive, - Mr. Buckley felt this revised plan features much more modest changes of the current zoning than it did on the previous Proposed Plan. It does not have everything he would have liked, but it probably represents a reasonable compromise among the interest of the Township. Mr. Buckley is recommending that the BOS adopt this Plan with one small change. Mr. Meily owns property on the Southwest corner of Old Hershey and Valley Roads which previously had a small portion of his land on Old Hershey Road zoned Commercial. In fairness to Mr. Meily this should be returned to Commercial Zoning.

Dennis Meily, Valley & Old Hershey, - A portion of his property had previously been zoned Commercial and he would like to keep it zoned Commercial. He is also asking that his whole property (24 acres) to be zoned Commercial.

Tim Anderson, Hershey Trust Co. — Hershey Trust Co is the largest land owner in Conewago Township which is approximately 22% of the Township. They are trying to preserve the value of their land in Conewago Township. He felt the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors did not agree with all their suggestions and are disappointed with it, but felt they can accept the plan. Mr. Anderson thanked the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors for all the hard work they put into it.

Jonathan Crist, Church Road, - As a practicing lawyer generally nobody is absolutely happy with the settlement, it must be a good settlement. This Plan is about as good as it gets.

Frank Graybill — property along Route 743. He is requesting his Property located at 3081 Elizabethtown Road, Hershey be changed from Residential Country to Commercial Zoning.

Chairman Rochat closed the Public Hearing on the Proposed Comprehensive Plan at 7:25 P.M.

Business Meeting:

A motion by Brandt second by Rochat to table action on the Plan tonight, review and consider everything that we have heard and review letters we received concerning the Proposed Comprehensive Plan and make a decision at a later date. Motion carried

A letter from the Meily's was presented to us tonight requesting their whole property (24 acres) to be considered Commercial Zoning.

A motion by Shelly second by Brandt to adjourn at 7:30 P.M.

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Submitted by,

Dolores Kuntz,  
Assistant Secretary

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