

**State College Land Area Plan
Joint Municipal Meeting
September 29, 2008**

The State College Borough Council, College Township Council, and Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors met in joint session on Monday, September 29, 2008 at 12:00 Noon in the Centre Region Council of Governments Forum Room.

Attendees included:

Mss. Lawrence, Goreham, Lafer, Messrs. Hahn, Morris, Rosenberger, and Filippelli, State College Borough Council; Messrs. Klees, Remick, College Township Council; Messrs. Irvin, Heinsohn, Mascolo, and Killian, Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors.

Others present:

Mark Kunkle, Ferguson Township Manager; Adam Brumbaugh, College Township Manager; Tom Fontaine, State College Borough Manager; Jim Steff, COG Executive Director; Eric Vorwald, CRPA Regional Planner; Trisha Lang, Ferguson Township Planning Director; Ann Messner, State College Borough Planner; Tom Kurtz, State College Borough Assistant Manager; Mark Holdren, CRPA Senior Planner; Steve Watson, Penn State University; Tom Zilla, CRPA Interim Director; Carl Hess, State College Borough Planning Director; Zoe Boniface, State College Land Area Plan Steering Committee; Terry Williams, State College Borough Solicitor, D. J. Liggett, CRPA Senior Planner; Chelsea Puff, State College Borough Planning Intern

Welcome and Review of State College Land Area Plan

Mr. Vorwald welcomed the members of the State College Borough Council, College Township Council, and Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors to the joint meeting on the State College Land Area Plan.

He then explained that the joint meeting would be an opportunity for staff to present the final draft State College Land Area Plan to the three municipalities that are included within the study area. Mr. Vorwald also noted that the elected officials would be asked for guidance on the next steps in the process, mainly authorization for staff to develop a detailed future land use map and hold joint meetings with the planning commissions from all three municipalities to provide guidance on the future land use map.

Presentation of the State College Land Area Plan Guidance Document

Following the explanation of the purpose for the meeting, Mr. Vorwald provided an overview of the State College Land Area Plan including the process that was followed, an overview of the steering committee that provided guidance on the

development of the plan, as well as information regarding the eight individual chapters within the plan document. Following the presentation, the elected officials were given an opportunity to ask questions and provide input on the document. The next step is a 45 day public comment period to get input and feedback from the community. The Centre County Planning and Community Development Office would be offered a chance to comment as well as the Centre Regional Planning Commission. There was consensus from the elected officials and general approval to allow staff to move forward with the process to allow CRPA staff to work with the municipal staffs to develop a detailed future land use map and to meet jointly with the planning commissions from College Township, Ferguson Township, and the Borough of State College to obtain input and guidance on the future land use map.

There being no additional discussion, the joint meeting of the State College Borough Council, College Township Council, and Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors was adjourned at 1:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted

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