

Dover Borough/Dover Township

Joint Comprehensive Plan

Leadership Committee Meeting

February 5, 2019

The Leadership Committee Meeting for the Joint Comprehensive Plan met for the second time on February 5, 2019 at 6PM in the Dover Township Municipal Building Conference Room. Members in attendance were Mike Hoffman, Mike Curley, Anne Walko, Cindy Snyder, Charlie Rauhauser, Terry Myers, John McLucas, Chuck Richards, Laurel Oswalt, and Nathan Stone.

Tim Staub, Planning Consultant provided a project update to the committee, which included a discussion of how the Awareness phase is in the final stages. Time was been spent since the January meeting with Dover area non-profit groups and the emergency service providers. Minutes from all the awareness events along with the previous steering committee meeting was shared with the committee and posted on the project web site.

The next item on the agenda was to share the community kick-off video and review the meeting's presentation. The committee supported the launch of the video and after a few suggested additions and/or corrections the presentation was also supported. Tim than asked the committee what methods should be utilized to reach out to the community to promote attendance at the public meeting. The committee indicated they would share the community flyer to every student within the school district, reach out to the various groups they met, hang in the local banks, have signs at Lehr Park and the Dover Fire hall provide notice of the community meeting. Anne and Tim indicated they would try to get the video posted on social media for York County Planning Commission and York County Economic Alliance.

The final portion of the meeting the committee spent taking the information from the various awareness meetings and previous steering committee to determine what topics are beginning to become prominent in the comprehensive plan discussion. Below is a summary of the prominent points from each awareness activity along with what themes the committee might consider focusing the region's comprehensive plan efforts.

The following were the most supported ideas stemming from each meeting:

Emergency Providers:

- Regionalization
- Inspection of Rental Programs
- Better Community Design
- More Coordination Between each other

Recreation:

- Work with the School District to overcome "Gatekeeper" concerns
 - Might need to establish rules or process
- Development of an Indoor Facility

- Re-establish Sports Association to reduce duplication of efforts and support each other in:
 - Promotion
 - Recruitment and Registration
 - Communication
 - Political Support
 - Fundraising
- Need More Fun Stuff to do in the Community for all age groups

Neighborhoods:

- Need sidewalks
- Long-term Validity of the HOAs and POAs
- Not enough Police Service/Visibility
- Lighting related to Safety

Non-Profits:

- Volunteering/Membership Support
- Public Awareness/Support
- Communication/Lack of Interest
- Grouping

The following items are becoming prominent themes in the plan development thus far:

1. Fire Departments- Twp. Younger/Borough Older- consider regionalization
2. Economic Development/More Business
 - a. Look Regionally
 - b. Business Corridor Plan
 - c. Complementing business plan
3. Collaboration and Partnerships
4. Traffic Inside the Growth Areas
5. Tax Base
6. Community Pride
7. Branding and Marketing
8. Need to establish a development philosophy and determine how to address redevelopment sites
9. Recreation Options
10. Controlled Development/Well Planned
11. How can we Age in Place- Medical/Sidewalks/Programs

12. Renovation of High School

13. Walkability

14. History