

**EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
FUTURIST COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 28, 2016
FINAL**

Present

Chairman Thomas Kilburn, Vice-Chairman, Rogers Vaughn and member Brad Giresi were present. Luann Perellis was absent.

Call to Order

Chairman, Thomas Kilburn called the meeting to order. The Committee began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and there was a moment of silence for our military troops and first responders.

Approval of Minutes

Thomas Kilburn gave his recommendation that the 2016 August minutes be approved. Rogers Vaughn seconded the 2016 August minutes were approved by the Commission.

Premier Community Update

Rogers Vaughn spoke with Matt Murphy from Re-Max. He said that doing an inventory of different neighborhood in surrounding Townships will give East Goshen an outlook as to what is moving in the real estate market. West Chester Borough and the townships of West Goshen, West Whiteland and East Goshen have about 20,000 people. The townships of East Bradford, Westtown, and Thornbury have about 10, 00 people. Looking real estate market values of these townships will help East Goshen plan for the future. Rogers Vaughn also mentioned looking at the townships of East Whiteland, Uwchlan and Birmingham and see what is trending in real estate in their neighborhoods. The Committee said they should look at an average of a 3 to 5 year base in doing a real estate overview.

Update on Alcohol referendum and Master Plan

Brad Giresi asked the Committee members if they have gotten any feedback from the Board of Supervisors. Rod mentioned that Senya Isayeff has not committed as to if he is in favor of it. Tom Kilburn mentioned that he spoke with Ed McFalls in Hershey's Mill who thought it would be a good idea because they may add a restaurant in Hershey's Mill in the future. He said that he also spoke with John Federman of Applebrook. Mr. Federman referred him to a lawyer in Harrisburg. Mr. Kilburn also spoke to Mr. Carl Francis regarding this matter on the proper public relations effort of getting approval for the ballot question. Two other ideas that were discussed was to ask the businesses in the corporate park that this would be very helpful for their businesses. Another idea was that if you added one or two nice restaurants to the Towne Center that this would be an improvement to the whole area along Paoli Pike and would asset to the Master Plan. Rogers Vaughn said that the Town Center improvements will be a success or failure and it is important that the Township plans ahead. We have a wonderful trail system that has gotten approval. Tom Kilburn asked how long it will take to put the trail system in. Brad Giresi said that he should be started sometime beginning in 2018 and would be done in sections. Our Public Works Department plans to do a section along Paoli Pike where the Goshen Friends Church & School property is located. There will about 3 phases to the construction.

Next Futurist Committee Date

Then next Futurist Committee Meeting date would be on October 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Thomas Kilburn proposed to adjourn the meeting and Rogers Vaughn seconded the motion. The Futurist Committee adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Morgan
Receptionist/Secretary