

**Minutes of the Albany Township Planning Commission
June 5, 2023**

Minutes of the meeting of the Albany Township Planning Commission held on Monday, June 5, 2023, at 8:00 p.m. in the Kempton Fire Company social hall, Kempton, Pa.

The following members were present:

P. Bauscher	B. Hamm	A. Zawada
D. Dietrich	J. Robertson	J. Body, Township Engineer

The meeting was called to order by J. Robertson, chairman, and A. Zawada, secretary, took the minutes of the proceedings.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of May 1, 2023, were distributed to the members for their review and comment. After discussion, a motion to approve the minutes was made by P. Bauscher and seconded by B. Hamm. The motion was unanimously carried and the minutes of the meeting of May 1, 2023, were approved.

Delbert Burkholder Ag Building Update

Proposed duck barn. J. Body informed the Commission that, as a result of his meeting with the supervisors, that the Burkholders would need zoning variances to get relief from the 500 ft setback requirement for the proposed duck barn. The Burkholders claim they will eliminate the dairy farm to reduce the setback requirement to 150'. They will be applying to the Zoning Hearing Board for a variance. No action taken.

Burkholder Commercial Animal Composting Operation

J. Body informed the Commission that the existing animal composting will continue, but no more animal composting is proceeding.

Joint Comprehensive Plan Cost Options

Chairman Robertson informed the Commission that Supervisor C. Volk attended a May 17, 2023 meeting regarding the joint comprehensive plan. J. Body distributed a document to the Planning Commission members entitled "Northern Berks Joint Comprehensive Plan Cost Sharing Options", (Document No. 1). This document lists cost sharing options for the five participating municipalities based on the cost of preparation by the Berks County Planning Commission of \$53,554. We are expecting a 50% matching grant from the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED).

Public Comment

No public comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Commission, a motion to adjourn was made by P. Bauscher and seconded by B. Hamm. The motion was unanimously carried and the meeting adjourned.