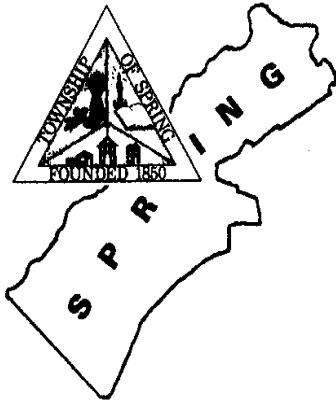


# PLANNING COMMISSION



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### MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 8, 2009

Chairman Oswald called the public meeting of the Planning Commission to order on Thursday, January 8, 2009, at 7:00 p.m., in the Meeting Room of the Township of Spring Municipal Building, 2800 Shillington Road, Cornwall Terrace, Berks County, Pennsylvania.

The following Planning Commission members were in attendance: James Oswald, Stephen Gibbs, Barry Ulrich, Ronald Keating, Sarah Ehrlich and Peter Bliudzius. Mr. Dallas did not attend. Also in attendance were: James Lillis, Esquire, Solicitor; James Moll, Engineering and Planning Manager, Tasha Amato, Administrative Assistant; and Sheryl Rowan, Township Secretary. Visitors in attendance were: Todd Babcock, and Valdis Lacis of the Reading Eagle.

**REORGANIZATION:** In his capacity as Chairman Pro Tem, Solicitor Lillis accepted nominations for Chairman. A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, second by Mr. Ulrich, nominating Mr. Oswald as Chairman. Nominations were closed by motion of Mrs. Ehrlich, second by Mr. Ulrich. Upon roll call, all members present voted affirmatively for Mr. Oswald as Chairman of the Planning Commission for 2009.

Subsequently, Chairman Oswald opened nominations for the position of Vice-Chairman. A motion was made by Mr. Ulrich, second by Mrs. Ehrlich, nominating Mr. Gibbs as Vice-Chairman. Nominations were closed by motion of Mrs. Ehrlich, second by Mr. Bliudzius. Upon roll call, all members present voted affirmatively for Mr. Gibbs as Vice-Chairman of the Planning Commission for 2009.

A motion was made by Mr. Ulrich, second by Mr. Gibbs, nominating Mr. Keating as Secretary. Nominations were closed by motion of Mr. Gibbs, second by Mr. Ulrich. Upon roll call, all members present voted affirmatively for Mr. Keating as Secretary of the Planning Commission for 2009.

**INTRODUCTION:** Mrs. Tasha Amato, recently hired as the Administrative Assistant in the Engineering and Planning Services Department, was introduced to the Planning Commission and welcomed by the members.

**MINUTES:** Mr. Bliudzius asked that the Minutes be amended to include his name in the list of members who were in attendance. A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, second by Mr. Keating, approving the Minutes of December 4, 2008, with the correction as noted. Upon roll call, all members present voted affirmatively with the exception of Mr. Oswald, who abstained.

### **PENDING/NO NEW PLANS SUBMITTED:**

**David Greth Subdivision – Waiver Request:** (Todd Babcock) A motion was made by Mr. Ulrich, second by Mr.

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Bliudzius, recommending that the Board of Supervisors grant the waiver of lot depth to width ratio, **Section 1005 (C)**, as requested. Upon roll call all members present voted affirmatively.

**Spring Ridge West Lot #5 – Annexation Plan:** A motion was made by Mr. Keating, second by Mr. Ulrich, recommending that the Board of Supervisors approve the extension of time for Spring Ridge West Lot #5, Annexation Plan, through May 7, 2009. Upon roll call, all members present voted affirmatively.

**Reading Hospital Medical Center – Tulpehocken Ltd. Tract:** A motion was made by Mr. Keating, second by Mr. Ulrich, recommending that the Board of Supervisors approve an extension of time for the Reading Hospital Medical Center, Tulpehocken Ltd. Tract land development plans through July 31, 2009. Upon roll call, all members present voted affirmatively. The Conditional Use hearing process continues for this project.

## **MISCELLANEOUS:**

**Official Map:** The Official Map of the Township differs from a street map in that it identifies certain areas where the Township may be contemplating certain improvements or the need to acquire property. This “official” map, also, allows the Township to negotiate with a developer who may intend to subdivide an area identified by the Township for potential improvement. Recommendations and comments should be directed to Mr. Moll and will be addressed at the January 29, 2009 workshop

**Cellco Cell Tower:** Approval for the addition to the Cellco Cell Tower on Yerger Boulevard was granted by the Zoning Hearing Board.

**SALDO Workshop:** Chairman Oswald will forward the information to interested members of the Planning Commission.

There being no further business, Chairman Oswald adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

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Ronald J. Keating, Secretary