

*Liberty Township, Licking County, Ohio*  
*Comprehensive Plan Update Steering Committee Meeting Minutes*  
*June 20, 2024 6:30 pm*

## Welcome

- The meeting was held at the Northridge Elementary School Media Room.
- Bill Bogantz opened the meeting at 6:30, stating that the meeting is being recorded and is a public record.
- The following members of the steering committee were present: Bill Bogantz, Annie Slabaugh, Aaron Jennings, Gary Van Deusen, Wendi Zigo, and Andy Lynd. Melodie Bogantz the Zoning Clerk was also present. Sara Kelly and Bailey Morlan were present from PlanningNEXT.
- **Bill Bogantz made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 15<sup>th</sup> and April 18<sup>th</sup> Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee meetings. Annie Slabaugh seconded the motion. The motion passed with all YES votes.**

## Draft Plan Contents

- Sarah gave an overview discussing Plan Development and Implementation with input from Bailey.
- There was discussion on how to conserve open space. PlanningNEXT will update the images used for representing land use types as discussed.
- There was discussion on the Activity Center in the Four Corners area. People seemed to think that this was swayed by the discussion at the time about investors wanting to develop that area, and not the desires of the residents to develop that area. Environmental Protection of that area was discussed as there is wildlife in the floodplains there. Planning NEXT will make updates based on the committee's input.
- Bill brought up the topic of Heavy Industrial and asphalt plants. He gave the latest input from legal counsel on what we have to allow and what we don't have to allow. Bill proposed that Houcks Junk Yard be designated for HI since it is already considered a brownfield. There was general agreement on the idea.
- There was discussion on the section about adding administration staff for the township. It was suggested that the wording should be changed to say staff could be added when funds are available. It could also say something about being fiscally responsible. There should also be a list of job responsibilities for a township manager and other township personnel.
- Bill asked for any additional input to be sent by Monday.
- The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 22 at 6:30. This meeting will include the trustees, the Board of Zoning Appeals, Zoning Commission, Steering Committee, and the Zoning Inspector.

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- PlanningNEXT will send out revised documents.

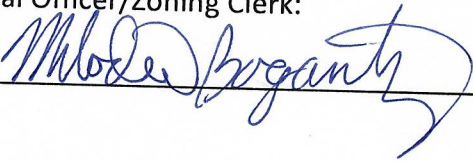
Closing

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:13.

Approval

Approval of the minutes for meeting June 20, 2024:

Fiscal Officer/Zoning Clerk:



Date: 10/15/2024

Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee Members:

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