Chestnuthill Township Jackson Township Eldred Township Ross Township Polk Township



## CJERP REGIONAL COMMITTEE Thursday March 27, 2025

Chestnuthill Township Municipal Building
7:00 PM

**Present:** Hector Ramirez. Chestnuthill Township

Mark Werkeiser, Jackson Township Robin Hartshorn, Jackson Township Roger Christman, Ross Township Susan McGinty, Eldred Township Mike Hurley, Polk Township

Nathan Staruch, Monroe County Planning Commission

Matthew Neeb, Chestnuthill Township Karen Hayes, Chestnuthill Township

Mike Hurley called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Mike Hurley.

<u>Minutes</u>. On motion made by Mark Werkeiser, seconded by Roger Christman, it was voted to approve the minutes and re-org minutes of the January 23, 2025 meeting. (5-0)

•	Chestnuthill Twp	Mr. Ramirez	Ey
•	Jackson Twp	Mr. Werkeiser	Ey
•	Eldred Twp	Ms. McGinty	Ey
•	Ross Twp	Mr. Christman	Ey
•	Polk Twp	Mr. Hurley	Ey

## Public Comment (non-agenda items): none

<u>Proposed CJERP plans for February and March 2025</u>: Nate Staruch indicated that there were about 9 or 10 minor subdivisions, as well as a LDP for a camp in the area. Nate gave a brief overview for a few of these projects and a brief discussion ensued.

New Business: Matt Neeb mentioned to the committee members that there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Shared Emergency Management Facility, which the Board of Supervisors for each of the Municipalities will be invited to attend, and this event is scheduled to be held on April 24, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Matt also indicated that before next month's CJERP meeting there will be a group tour of the new Shared Emergency Management Facility for the CJERP members at 5:30 p.m.

## **Old Business**:

CJERP Regional Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision and Land Development (SALDO) Updates: Matt Neeb indicated that next month's CJERP meeting the consultants for Strategic Solutions will be in attendance, and this will be the official kick-off meeting to start the Regional Comprehensive Plan update.

<u>CJERP Regional Zoning Officers meeting update:</u> Nate Staruch provided minutes/notes from this meeting which included items that were raised from this meeting. Matt indicated that items of discussion varied but everything discussed was extremely beneficial. Matt indicated that one of the goals for these Regional Zoning Officers meeting is to produce a list of regulation requirements that the zoning officers would recommend to the Board of Supervisors in the region to consider amending, adding and/or removing. A *few highlights* from this meeting were:

- The County Planning Commission is working on a "Model Ordinance" for Data Centers.
- Regional Shared Uses being added, removed or amended were discussed.
- Each municipality indicated that they are having issues with a lot of Paving Companies coming in and paving or repaving driveways and are not obtaining driveway permits, and the paving companies' response is that it is up to the property owner to obtain the permit not them. The question to look into, is to find a way to hold the Paving Company accountable to make sure permits are applied for.
- There is an extremely large number of complaints that are reported to the Townships regarding chickens roaming around neighborhoods and loud constant noise from roosters.
- Trash Receptables being left out on the roads are causing traffic disruption, this especially becomes an issue during snow events when the roads are being plowed.
- Procedures for enforcement would be beneficial for the zoning officers.

Janet Dooner had a question regarding whether the municipalities have regulations for the selling of medical and/or recreational marijuana, and for the production of marijuana. Matt Neeb indicated that the Townships do have regulations pertaining to the sale and production of marijuana, however the State has a lot more regulations and involvement overseeing both the production and sale.

## Public Comment (non-agenda items): none

There being no further business, on motion made by Roger Christman, seconded by Hector Ramirez, it was voted to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. (5-0)

•	Chestnuthill Twp	Mr. Ramirez	Ey
•	Jackson Twp	Mr. Werkeiser	Ey
•	Eldred Twp	Ms. McGinty	Ey
•	Ross Twp	Mr. Christman	Ey
•	Polk Twp	Mr. Hurley	Ey

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Hayes CJERP Recording Secretary