

Township of Northampton 55 Township Road Richboro, PA 18954

# PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING OF DECEMBER 13, 2016 MINUTES WORK SESSION

## **Members Present**

Evan Stone Gail Foley Edward Ingle Steve Saddlemire Andrew Gannon

#### **Excused**

David Esposito
Dr. Arthur Friedman

#### **Others Present**

Mary Stover, PE, Township Engineer Craig Bryson, RLA, Township Planner Mike Solomon, Director of Planning and Zoning Larry Weinstein, BOS Liaison Mr. Stone called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

### **Design Guidelines - Prepared by the Bucks County Planning Commission**

The Planning Commission members held an informal, open discussion on the Design Guidelines prepared by the Bucks County Planning Commission. Items discussed included, but not limited, to the following:

- The background to the creation of the design guidelines as a result of the village overlay district;
- Discussion on how the guidelines tie into the master plans for Richboro and Holland in addition to the Comprehensive Plan;
- Ultimate approving authority for compliance with the guidelines;
- The numerous styles of architecture described;
- Applicability to projects that do not go through land development;
- Discussion on grants;
- Discussion on the guidelines in relation to streetscape;
- Discussion on signage.

It was noted that this matter will be before the Commission in the near future as an ordinance amendment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:

Michael T. Solomon
Director of Planning and Zoning