

# Venango County Regional Planning Commission

## Minutes

### Meeting, November 18, 2008

Those present at the public meeting of the Venango County Regional Planning Commission held at the Venango County Fairgrounds:

**Present:**

Warren Thomas  
Susan Hileman  
Marc Rickard  
Terry Ray  
Garnet Wood  
Ken Garland  
Fred Krizinsky  
Sonja Hawkins  
Neil McElwee

**Guests:**

Fred Blausler, Cranberry Township  
Mark Heim  
Jan Beichner  
Troy Wood  
Robert Wilson

**Staff Present:**

Judith Downs  
Ben Breniman

**Absent:**

Debra Kapp  
Matt Carlson

The annual Venango County Planning Commission meeting started at 5:30 pm with introductions and dinner. Susan Hileman facilitated a discussion regarding the staff's work plan, barriers/challenges, current state, ideal state and what we want to accomplish. A broad discussion followed concerning the 2009 work plan preparation.

Chairperson Ken Garland called the regular monthly board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

A roll call for attendees was read by Ben Breniman.

A motion was made by Garnet Wood to approve the minutes from October 21, 2008, seconded by Fred Krizinsky; so moved.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

#### OFFICER'S AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

##### **A. Nominating Committee – Marc Rickard**

Marc Rickard reported that he sent e-mails to prospective officers to find out if they were interested in a position on the Planning Commission. Mr. Rickard offered the following slate of officers for 2009: Debra Kapp-Chairwoman; Garnet Wood – Vice Chairman; Fred Krizinsky – Secretary/Treasurer. There are four (4) Board vacancies, which are elected positions. Three names were submitted for those vacancies including Jim Berry (Pleasantville Borough); Rodney Gladd (Clintonville Borough); and Dave Owens (Polk Borough), who is interested, but only for a 1 year term. The current Board members whose terms expire at the end of 2008 are: Garnet Wood, Terry Ray, and Debra Kapp.

The reappointment for these terms will be 5 years and will be submitted to the Commissioners for their approval.

**B. Land Development – Ben Breniman**

Ben Breniman introduced Scott Schneider, owner of Kamp Kennerdell. Mr. Schneider presented a recreational vehicle park plan located near Kennerdell in Scrubgrass Township. The plan included 3 phases and has been approved by the sewage enforcement officer. A power point presentation was followed by a question and answer session. A motion to approve was made by Fred Krizinsky, seconded by Marc Rickard. Motion carried.

**Executive Director’s Report**

Judy Downs told the Board that she and Ben have interviewed candidates for the vacant recycling coordinator position, and is prepared to make a recommendation for the position.

**New Business:**

None

**Public Comment:**

Garnett Wood, who volunteered for the tire recycling event held at Cornplanter Township, gave a summary of the activities. Three tractor trailer loads of tires were collected and some people had to be turned away due to the amount of tires being brought in. Special thanks were given to Cornplanter Township’s Secretary, Cathy McBride, the fire police and firemen for all of their hard work. The event went very well.

At 7:55 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Neil McElwee and seconded by Garnet Wood; so moved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ben Breniman