

Saucon Valley Partnership Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, February 14, 2018  
Hellertown Borough

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- A. Call to Order** – Linda Leewright – 7:00 p.m.
- B. Roll Call** –Pricilla deLeon (dial in), Leslie Huhn, Tom Rieger, Cathy Hartranft, Linda Leewright. Absent: Mark Hartney, James Hill, Mark Sivak. Guests: Lori Vargo Heffner
- C. Council of Governments**
1. **Minutes** – Upon motion of Mr. Rieger, seconded by Mrs. deLeon, the members approved the minutes of January 10, 2018.
  2. **Treasurer’s Report** – A Treasurer’s Report was not available. Mrs. Huhn indicated a fund balance of \$20,059.09.
  3. **Approval to pay bills** – Mrs. Huhn indicated there were no bills to be paid.
- D. Business Items**
1. **Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan** – A discussion was held as to the scope of work submitted by Environmental Planning & Design. Members agreed to the scope of work. A lengthy discussion was held whether the Partnership could seek grant funding for the cost of the update. Upon motion by Mr. Rieger, seconded by Mrs. deLeon, the Partnership supported the manager’s to seek out grant funding. Each entity will take to their respective Boards for approval.
  2. **Pipeline Updates** –Mrs. deLeon reviewed two pipelines that are proposed for the area. The PennEast Pipeline has received conditional approval from PURC. The proposed plan is awaiting other authority’s review. This pipeline will impact the Petrie farm along Redington Road and connect to the Hellertown Station on Easton Road in Lower Saucon Township.  
  
The Adelphia Pipeline, which is already in place is converting from oil to natural gas. Ms. deLeon is concerned with the age of the pipes and lack of familiarity by local safety officials.
- E. Brief Reports & Discussion Items**
1. **County Gaming Grants** – Lower Saucon Township and Hellertown Borough reported they received gaming grants in December 2017. The gaming commission meeting scheduled for 2/26/18 has been cancelled.
  2. **Joint COG Projects** – Multi-municipal plan previously discussed.
  3. **Roads & Traffic** – Easton Road/Cherry Lane – Northing to report
  4. **Saucon Valley Compost Center – Pole Barn** – Bid specifications were provided for a 40x80 pole barn to be installed at the SV Compost Center to house various equipment. As requested by the SVP, the size of the facility was discussed. The respective PW Directors indicated they would be able to store additional equipment in the building. Questions from the committee include if the equipment is on borough property, who is liable for damages and where is the closest water source. The manager’s will check with their respective insurance agents regarding equipment coverage. The closest water source would be on Springtown Hill Road
  5. **Water Street Bridge** – Construction spring/summer 2019. Mrs. Hartranft informed the members the borough’s Water Street Streetscape project will commence this spring.
  6. **Northampton County Report** – Lori Vargo Heffner introduced herself as a new member of Northampton County Council.

**F. Citizens Comments on Non Agenda Items – None**

**G. Events Calendar**

1. **Paper shredding event** – Lehigh Township on May 12, 2018; Pen Argyle on September 15, 2018.
2. **Saucon Valley Spirit Parade** – October 21, 2018

**I. Adjournment** – Upon motion by Mr. Rieger, second by Mrs. deLeon, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

**The next meeting of the Saucon Valley Partnership is Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at Lower Saucon Township.**