

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COLLEGE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON NOVEMBER 22, 1971

The special meeting of the College Township Board of Supervisors was held on November 22, 1971, at 12:00 Noon, in the Township Building, with Board members Williams, Weaver and Levine present.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss areawide statements of goals and objectives of the Centre County Planning Commission and endorse enactment of the following resolution.

This resolution was made in the form of a motion by Mr. Weaver and seconded by Mr. Williams. The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Lester M. Weaver

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Secretary

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COLLEGE TOWNSHIP

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STATE COLLEGE, PA. 16801

RESOLUTION

After due consideration, it was moved by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Williams and unanimously approved:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of College Township, Centre County, Pennsylvania, does hereby endorse the Areawide Statement of Goals and Objectives as prepared by the Areawide Planning Organization (Centre County Planning Commission), and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors of College Township, Centre County, Pennsylvania, intends to strive to the best of its ability, to assist the Centre County Planning Commission in the attainment of the Areawide Goals and Objectives which are attached hereto and made a part hereof.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly enacted and approved as set forth at a special meeting of the Board held on Nov. 22, 1971 at 12:00 Noon.

(Signed)

Lester M. Weaver
Lester M. Weaver, Secretary

(SEAL)

Appendix B
The Purpose, Goals and Objectives
of Centre County Planning Program

The purpose, goals, and objectives of the Centre County Planning Program are outlined below. These general goals and objectives are listed in a general priority order. The overall planning program is designed to develop the background information and planning studies necessary to develop specific goals, objectives, and methods of implementation for each of the general areas listed and to develop and integrate these individual programs into a comprehensive plan. This list and priority has been approved by the Planning Commission.

A. PURPOSE OF THE CENTRE COUNTY PLANNING PROGRAM

Pertinent decisions are most effectively resolved on the basis of a comprehensive planning process; thus, general plans, to illustrate the most desirable and practical patterns of land use, and of services and facilities, are being prepared to serve as the basis for these decisions. The County planning program deals with the valuation, initiation, and coordination of various types of projects involving the total environment of the present and future residents of the area.

These general plans are being designed to recognize values expressing useful or desirable qualities of the county, its sub-regions and its communities. These basic values must be translated into priority goals that prescribe the direction to be taken to foster the values. The policies to be followed to achieve these goals are expressed as specific objectives for development.

B. GOALS OF THE CENTRE COUNTY PLANNING PROGRAM

1. Housing

To provide for adequate housing for those families and individuals who cannot otherwise, through their own resources, provide safe, healthful and blight-free living quarters. Within Centre County there should be developed a choice of housing types for citizens of all income levels. Those homes should be located in areas that are convenient to goods, services and places of employment. To provide housing that cannot be developed by the private sector will require the efforts of non-profit organizations, cooperatives, and a public housing authority for the lowest income levels, including the elderly and handicapped.

2. Natural Resources and Environmental Qualities

To provide for the protection and enhancement of our natural resources and environmental qualities. With many Centre County communities dependent upon limited groundwater resources, it is of prime importance at this time to develop cooperative programs and organizational structures to assure for

B. 2. Natural Resources and Environmental Qualities (Cont.)

present and future generations an adequate quantity and a reliable quality of water for domestic, industrial and recreational uses. The ability to provide these water resources will require the wise use of our natural environment, the protection of our watershed areas, stream valleys, and aquifer intake areas and the corrective measures necessary to improve the disposal methods of our sewage and solid waste materials.

3. Community Services

To provide for various community services to meet the basic needs of the citizens of the County. Within Centre County there is a growing need to provide for new and increased community services such as health and medical care, fire and police protection, and park and recreational facilities and services. Continued efforts must be made toward developing an awareness, of the above services, among not only private and semi-public organizations but also elected officials representing public agencies. The solution to providing these much needed services will rely upon regional and multi-county cooperative efforts.

4. Transportation

To provide a variety of modes of travel, to meet the different needs of different people's activities, in conjunction with land development. Transportation facilities must be improved, expanded, or relocated to reduce the number, distance, or length of time of trips to be made in the future. When the number of person-trips can be accommodated by various modes of travel, traffic tie-ups and congestion can be avoided. By lessening the distance of trips through wise land use planning, by making more efficient use of mass transit systems, and by developing certain types of pedestrian movements, inefficiency and waste should be reduced.

5. Employment

To provide adequate employment for people with a variety of skills and training. Although education and research-development industries are the major industries of the County, there should be efforts made toward increasing the number of types of industry to provide diversity. The industry should have suitable locations, with fully adequate access and facilities.

6. Goods and Services

To provide an adequate supply of goods and services to the region. Goods and services should be provided through a variety of outlets on a variety of suitable sites. The sites should be functional, safe, and attractive in design and display while being functionally related to other urban activities. Effective use should be made of existing commercial centers, and the appropriate development of new centers should be encouraged.

C. OBJECTIVES OF THE CENTRE COUNTY PLANNING PROGRAM

1. Housing

- a) Through the comprehensive planning process and the adoption and promotion of reasonable land use controls, the county and its local communities must strive to protect the existing and promote the desirable future urban and non-urban development patterns to provide a variety of housing units for all ages and income levels.**
- b) Through a realistic housing market analysis, programs and projects will be developed through private, non-profit associations, and public agencies to secure for those in need an adequate housing unit located in areas that are convenient to goods, services and places of employment.**
- c) Special emphasis shall be placed in securing housing for the elderly, the handicapped, and those of minimal or limited income.**
- d) Although coordination should be provided on an areawide basis, the project emphasis will be locally oriented, and include a broad range of techniques such as conservation and rehabilitation of existing structures, the removal of unsafe units, and the construction of both rental and owner occupied dwelling units.**
- e) To ensure the coordination of the housing program the County Planning Commission will continue to cooperate with the Centre County Housing Authority.**

2. Natural Resources and Environmental Qualities

- a) To promote on an areawide basis the necessary administrative organizations and community utility projects to provide for the improvement and expansion of water service, as well as for the disposal of sewage and solid waste materials.**
- b) The procedures and recommendations to be followed, concerning the above, are those that are contained in the recently completed "Centre County Comprehensive Water and Sewer Plan" and the completed "Centre County Solid Waste Management Study."**
- c) To promote the wise use of our natural resources and watershed areas will require an investigation into the appropriate use of conservation techniques such as flood plain protection, aquifer intake area protection, reduction of siltation and soil erosion, and the restoration of certain disturbed natural land forms.**

C. 2. Natural Resources and Environmental Qualities (Cont.)

- d) To insure the adequate participation of the County's local municipalities toward the solution of their many associated problems, especially those related to sewer and water projects, the Commission will continue its efforts to enlist the support of the local municipalities in the previously created Centre County Local Government Advisory Board. This Board will be made up of a local elected official from each of the County's local municipalities; however, it may function on a sub-county regional basis.**
- e) To insure an adequate review of problems facing the County's natural resources and environmental qualities, the County Planning Commission will continue to cooperate with the Centre County Environmental Advisory Board which was established between the Cooperating Agencies of the Centre County Soil and Water Conservation District. The primary purpose of the Board is to (1) review and offer advice relative to current and future public and/or private development projects and (2) to develop policies and guidelines to ensure for the future, the adequate protection of the county's ecological balance.**

3. Community Services

- a) To work with and cooperate with agencies such as the Centre County Council For Human Services, the Community Action Agency and the Susquehanna Economic Development Association toward the establishment of increased and expanded health and medical care facilities and services.**
- b) To work with and assist the local communities and their elected officials toward the establishment of increased and expanded fire and police services.**
- c) Through the conclusions and recommendations of the County Planning Commission's Parks and Open Space Plan, which will be prepared as part of the Centre County Comprehensive Plan, the Commission will assist and encourage the local communities in developing improved and expanded park and recreation sites, facilities and services. These facilities and services will be proposed to meet a variety of recreational needs for people of different ages, income levels, and interests.**

4. Transportation

- a) To encourage the provision of improved transportation facilities, including highways, mass transit and airport facilities, to serve and to shape development in accordance with an overall plan with a minimum disruption of existing development.**

C. 4. Transportation (Cont.)

- b) Corridor locations will be reviewed by the Commission and referred to the Centre County Environmental Advisory Board to assure compatibility with our natural resources and environmental qualities.**
- c) The Centre County Planning Commission will continue to assist and coordinate projects with the local communities and the Department of Transportation, and submit testimony at public hearings concerning highway improvements.**
- d) To coordinate the location of traffic arteries, and their intersections and interchanges, and to maintain proper traffic movement to and from commercial, industrial and residential areas.**

5. Employment

- a) To encourage the expansion of existing industry and promote new industry a Industrial Site Survey will be prepared in cooperation with the industrial development interests throughout the County.**
- b) The Industrial Site Survey will plan for expansion of both employment and diversified industrial facilities through the location of new industrial parks and districts appropriate to the County's local regional economy.**
- c) To protect from unnecessary encroachment those areas which are best suited to support the agricultural interests within the County.**

6. Goods and Services

- a) Promote the improvement of existing commercial centers and development of new centers relating to other land uses.**
- b) Promote the development of neighborhood retail centers in residential areas near the intersections of collector and arterial transportation routes.**