

**--NAZARETH COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2019**

Attendance Sheet Below

Brien Kocher of Bushkill Township called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. The summary notes of the August 12, 2019, meeting were distributed to all delegates. Delegates should notify L. Stauffer if any changes should be made.

**FutureLV The Regional Plan – Committee Comments**

G. Reese stated the draft FutureLV has been distributed and the comment period extends through September 23<sup>rd</sup>. The purpose of the plan is to bring 62 municipalities under one umbrella. All multi-municipal comprehensive plans must be consistent with the regional plan with the hope that the multi-municipal plans will do the “heavy-lifting.”

B. Kocher stated everyone should have a paper copy and electronic copies are available at [www.lvpc.org](http://www.lvpc.org). He encouraged everyone to read the draft. S. Lawless commented on the op-ed piece in the Morning Call by Lamont McClure. G. Reese responded that there are some misunderstanding by Northampton County. A discussion occurred on what defines a land use plan of regional significance.

Issues and Opportunities Paper – status report

1. Land Capacity Analysis – An overview of developable land and what it is zoned.
2. Housing Analysis – An overview of supply and demand, cost burdened, vacancy and housing attainability. The main feature is affordability. S. Dooley noted there is an issue with creating affordable housing. One of the biggest issues is the cost of doing subdivision and land development. J. Pennington remarked how the area has changed demographically over the years since the previous Multi-Municipal Plan.

It was noted that the median household income across all 10 municipalities is approximately \$87,756 per year.

3. Economic Analysis – Continued discussion on location quotient and shift share. This will identify pockets of industry within each municipality.
4. Fiscal Impacts of Redevelopment Analysis – Brief discussion

**Steering Committee Charette**

G. Reese presented revised maps that were created based on additional information provided by Stockertown. He distributed a memorandum containing information from all 10 municipalities regarding investment, development and redevelopment sites as well as the areas within the 10 municipalities of greatest concern in reference to transportation issues.

**Municipal Data Request Status**

G. Reese reviewed the needs from each municipality and he reminded everyone to get their municipal data request in as soon as possible.

**Meeting Adjourned – 7:03 p.m.**

Next Meeting: Monday, October 14, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at Upper Nazareth Township

Respectfully Submitted,

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