

MINUTES OF PLUMSTEAD TOWNSHIP
LAND PRESERVATION EDUCATION AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE
September 11, 2025



The September 11, **2025** meeting of Plumstead Township Land Preservation Education and Advisory Committee occurred at Plumstead Township Municipal Building, 5186 Stump Road, Pipersville, PA. At 7:00 pm we discussed next newsletter will be an interview with a current landowner who purchased a preserved farm. Liz Patrick. Michael May called the meeting to order at 8:22 pm when a quorum was achieved. A moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPOINTED MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael May, Gary Talbot, Kimberly Troup, Jim Stark were in attendance. and Liz Patrick, concerned citizens, was also in attendance.

The prior meeting August 14 2025 minutes were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Jim Stark, and seconded by Kimberly Troup. Unanimously Approved.

Discussion of the Community Day event. – September 6, 2025 – 3 PM to 6 PM at Hanusey Park Was cancelled due to weather.

Land Preservation Map Revisions

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The Large-Scale Map of Preserved Properties was discussed. Michael May presented the following.

The LPEAC preservation map is based on the Township's excel database (provided to the committee by Angela Benner), the County's agricultural land preservation map online, and databases from the current Township comprehensive and open space plans. The County's planning department map has numerous omissions and errors that largely stem from not including Township land preservation parcels. Below are questions or corrections needed regarding the Township's excel database so the LPEAC can complete an accurate map, as well as the list of preserved parcels not found on the County map. **See page 4 of 4 for the map** that corresponds with the numbers referenced on the following items:

Questions/Correction Needed and Recommendation on Database, for the Township:

- Kirkegard easement (3 on the attached map). The county map shows two parcels rather than one as preserved while the LPEAC map has only one. On the county map--tax parcel 34-003-043-001 is noted as preserved, but there were notes on one Township database that stated the house lot was not included in the land preservation of the property so it was excluded on the LPEAC map. The township needs to check the easement agreement and determine if this lot should be included.
- Nanni-Doyle tract. County has this listed as county open space and the township lists it as preserved township land. It appears County open space funds were used for the purchase, but this should be confirmed and the database corrected. Ideally it should be noted as a joint project. Provide guidance on the best way to illustrate. 34-011-029 and 34-011-053.
- Summer Hill tract. County has the parcel 34-011-148 as preserved by township open space. It is owned by Summer Hill so it should probably be listed as open space HOA on the LPEAC map. Ideally the Township

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database of preserved land should have a section of land preserved through the development process owned by the township and the various HOA.

- Timberley Farms. The county map has the original house/barn parcel of the property at Timberley Farms as open space preserved by the township. 34-004-057. This is private property. The township needs to check easement records/subdivision plans to ascertain if there are restrictions. It is not in the Township database.
- Cabin Run tract. County map omitted: 34-032-089 a small parcel owned by the Township that appears to have been part of the development process. Plumstead Township needs to check the subdivision plan or determine how township acquired the land.
- Frey easement (18 on the attached map). There are four parcels listed in the Township preserved land list for the property. The County map omitted one of the large parcels 34-06-007-001 along Stump Road. There seems to be confusion about which parcels are preserved. The Township needs to check the easement agreement to ensure the correct parcels are listed on the database. A small parcel across Wismer from the main farm and with a different owner is noted as preserved 34-006-004.
- Myers easement (17 on the attached map). County map omitted 34-018-008-002. This is one of two parcels listed on the township spreadsheet as preserved. The township needs to check the easement agreement to determine if both parcels are included in the easement.
- Plumstead Township land (20 on the attached map). The county map omitted the quarry properties purchased by the township 34-018-111 and 34-018-127. The county property records confirm the Township owns them but are they open space, easements?
- Detweiler easement. The county map notes this as preserved farmland by the Township only. Check the easement agreement to see if there were County funds.. It should be shaded red if not a joint easement. 34-015-007.
- Boy Scouts easement. Several parcels owned by the Boy Scouts are not listed on the county map (34-006-095-001, 34-006-91). These were from the open space and/or comp plan. In addition, there are a few parcels on the county map listed as preserved but not found on the committee map (34-006-098 and 34-007-002-001). It is possible several BSoA parcels were not included in the easement or were missed marked. The preserved parcels should be confirmed so the map will be accurate. If the Township records do not have this information the LPEAC map could defer to the County map.

Omissions on the County map. The properties are on the Township database of preserved land unless otherwise noted:

- Hostvedt easement (4&5 on the attached map). County map omitted: 34-001-013, and 34-003-057-001
- Simkins easement (6 & 7 on the attached map). County map omitted: 34-003-049, 34-003-051-002

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- Hellerick easement (8 on the attached map). County map omitted: 34-003-099-004
- Hirst easement (9 on the attached map) County map omitted: 34-011-24, 34-012-001, 34-011-111.
- Jedt tract (10 on the attached map). County map omitted: 34-011-154.
- Trauger easement (12 on the attached map). County map omitted: 34-003-042-001.
- Haldeman easement. County map omitted: 34-011-107.
- Donner/Gaun easement (14 on the attached map). County map omitted: 34-015-026.
- New subdivision on Curley Hill Road. County map omitted the HOA open space. 34-015-015. Confirmed in County property records.
- McGinnis Farm (15 on the attached map). County map omitted: 34-015-089.
- McGill easement (16 on the attached map). County map omitted: 34-024-001, 34-024-001-002; 34-024-003.
- Caruso easement (19 on the attached map). The county map omitted parcels 34-006-011 and 34-006-113.
- Caruso HC easement. The county map omitted the Caruso's easement that is held with Heritage Conservancy 34-006-012. This is also listed in the open space plan for the township as a HC easement.

Hulko easement (21 on the attached map). The county map omitted 34-025-010-001.

New Business

Michael May shared a recent application that was submitted to the Township Manager by Marika Jones. LPEAC is to review all applications, score them and return them to the Township Manager.

At 8:55 pm A motion to adjourn was made by Gary Talbot and seconded by Kimberly Troop and Unanimously Approved.

Our next public will be **October 9, 2025** at 7:00 pm.

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