

SOLEBURY TOWNSHIP LAND PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

May 19, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

Solebury Township Hall/Virtual - Hybrid Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Kurt Leasure, Chair; George Ashford; Joseph Tartaglia; Phil Johnson; John DeSpirito; Kevin Morrissey, Supervisor Liaison; Terry Clemons, LPC Solicitor (via Zoom); and John Ives, Planning & Zoning Administrator were in attendance.

Absent: Elaine Crooks; Sally Drayer, Vice Chair

Public: None.

Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order by Kurt Leasure at 6:00 PM.

Approval of April 16, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Upon a Motion made by Phil Johnson, seconded by Joe Tartaglia, the Solebury Township Land Preservation Committee unanimously approved the April 16, 2026 meeting minutes.

Public Relations/Sub-Committee

John Ives updated the Committee that the Township is currently in the process of obtaining bids for reprinting both the informational brochure and the presentation folder associated with the Committee's outreach materials. An additional update was provided regarding efforts to include an article concerning the Nakashima-Yarnall preservation in the upcoming summer edition of the Solebury Township newsletter.

Discussion followed regarding the anticipated publication schedule for the newsletter, with members noting that the summer edition is expected to be issued around August.

Comprehensive Plan Committee Update

Kevin Morrissey provided a brief update that the LPC section of the Comprehensive Plan is substantially complete at this stage of the process. It was further reported that two Comprehensive Plan Committee meetings were scheduled for May, with the intention of forwarding the draft Comprehensive Plan to the Board of Supervisors by the end of June. It was also stated that two additional meetings are anticipated in June and that committee members believe the current timeline remains achievable.

Parks & Rec Open Space & Trails Comprehensive Plan Update

Joseph Tartaglia reported that a previously scheduled Parks and Recreation meeting had been postponed until May 27. As a result of the postponement, it was noted that an update would likely be provided during the June meeting. The upcoming Parks and Recreation meeting discussion is expected to focus on the Parks and Recreation Plan table of contents, goals, planning priorities, and related topics. It was further noted that substantive progress has been limited pending the rescheduled meeting.

General Discussion

Phil Johnson raised concerns regarding communication and coordination with the Farm Committee. It was noted that multiple attempts had been made to contact two members of the Farm Committee in order to better understand how the committees could collaborate and what assistance or coordination might be helpful moving forward. Discussion referenced prior conversations during which it had been suggested that the Farm Committee and the current committee may benefit from working together on shared issues and outreach efforts.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Confidential Property Reviews

Committee members provided updates on properties in the process of acquisition and those being prepared for outreach efforts.

Adjournment

Upon a motion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, John Ives