

**MEDINA TOWNSHIP
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
MARCH 8TH, 2012**

The Organizational Meeting of the Medina Township Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee was brought to order at 7:10 pm on March 8, 2012.

The Members introduced themselves as follows:

Mike Baach, CEO of Philpot Rubber and Medina Township Resident.

Bill West, Retired Legal Counsel for Metro Health and Medina Township Resident.

Robin Gray, 18 year Medina Township resident.

William Ostmann, Owner of Pleasant Valley Golf Course for 40 years and former Medina Township Trustee.

Chris Traynor, Medina Township Resident.

Susan McKiernan Retired from the University of Akron and 26 year Medina Township Resident.

Tony Ratajczak Retired from NASA, previous Chairman of the Zoning Commission from 1969 to 1975 and Medina Township Resident.

Alan Hallock, Real Estate Broker, Boy Scout Chairman and previous President of the Medina Chamber of Commerce in 2003.

Medina Township Police Chief, David Arbogast, non-voting member only.

Susan Hirsch, Acting Planning Director for Medina County, previously the Deputy Director for 10 years, a Certified Planner and an Attorney.

Cynthia Szunyog, Member of the Zoning Commission and a 65 year Medina Township Resident

Paul Sevougian, Owner of Radio Shack and 23 year Medina Township Resident

James Apana, Retired Teacher, Part-time home tutor for Medina Schools and previous Steering Committee Member.

Judy Ruppelli, Real Estate Broker, married to former Medina Township Trustee, 36 year Medina Township Resident and previous Steering Committee Member.

Gail Sommers was absent due to being in Florida.

Nomination of Chairman

Chris Traynor nominated Bill Ostmann for Chairman. The motion was seconded by Robin Gray. There was discussion in regards to appointing a vice-chairman. Chris Traynor withdrew his motion and Robin Gray withdrew her second.

Questions were asked regarding duties of the Chairman, who sets the agenda and if there would be a professional consultant. Mr. Jarrett said Kirby Dade, Planning Consultant from Cleveland State, offered 24 hours of her services. The majority of the Members feel they will need help and guidance from a professional consultant to make the process run smoothly and be sure no important issues are overlooked.

Nomination for Chairman Con't

It was discussed that the Chairman would be in charge of the Committee. The Planning Consultant would take on the responsibility to insure that the agenda was prepared, agreed to and followed. Mr. Baach asked if the Committee was premature in making any decisions regarding the Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Mr. Jarrett said this was the Organizational Meeting and the Committee needed to appoint a Chairman and a Vice Chairman. They also needed to schedule the next meeting (place, time and date) so it can be advertised. This also gives members time to go over the material they received and set an agenda. Mr. Hallock said, committee structure normally has 3 people in the decision making capacity of running a committee, otherwise, sole responsibility and decision making falls to one person, it is also a good tie breaker. He said usually the Chairman does not vote and it may be wise to have a Vice-Chairman and a Secretary. Mr. West said if the committee is unhappy with the Chairman for whatever reason it always has the ability to change the Chairman. Mr. West said clearly the Chairman has to be an individual that is listening to the group as a whole. The Committee will get further guidance from the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Jarrett said there is a rough draft that was a pretty well finished document, but due to technicalities regarding the open public meetings the Committee can either change the entire document, do minor changes or agree that, as it stands, it is what you want to see implemented. Mr. Baach asked that if the draft were read aloud in a public environment and voted on, by the Committee, by section or by paragraph, would that be sufficient to serve the needs of being legal and Mr. Jarrett said yes.

Mr. Jarrett opened the floor for nominations for Chairman of the Steering Committee.

Chris Traynor nominated Bill Ostmann for Chairman of the Steering Committee. Mrs. Ruppelli seconded the motion.

Discussion: Mr. Sevougian asked Mr. Ostmann if he was part of the Committee before and if he read the draft. Mr. Ostmann said he was not part of the committee and yes, he had read the draft. Mr. Baach asked Mr. Ostmann if there is anything in the document that one would construe as his having an agenda as to why he wants to be a part of this and did he find the document to be acceptable, well written and fair. Mr. Ostmann said it was well written and there are some disagreements he has with it. There was a question regarding if the Chairman votes or not.

Mr. West motioned to close the nominations. Mr. Baach seconded the motion. Mr. Jarrett asked for a vote appointing Bill Ostmann as Chair of the Steering Committee. The vote was all in the affirmative. There were no nays and no abstentions.

Mr. Jarrett presented the Committee with a community survey form that was put together by members of the community. The Committee will decide if they are going to do a survey and Mr. Ostmann will ask the Trustees if they are in favor of paying for a survey.

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Nomination for Vice-Chairman

Michael Baach nominated Mr. West as Vice-Chairman. Mr. Hallock seconded the motion. Mr. Ostmann asked for a vote of the Committee. The vote was all in the affirmative. There were no nays and no abstentions.

Date of Next Meeting


The Committee will hold their next meeting on April 3, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.

New Census Data and GSI Maps

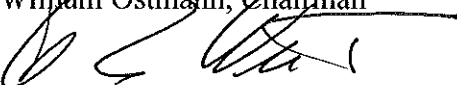
Susan Hirsch will supply the Committee with new census data and GSI maps.

Mr. Baach moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. West seconded the motion. Mr. Ostmann asked for a vote of the Committee. The vote was all in the affirmative. There were no nays and no abstentions.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.



William Ostmann, Chairman



William West, Vice-Chairman

Medina Township

Community Survey

Month 2012

Dear Medina Township Resident,

On behalf of the Medina Township Trustees and Zoning Commission, we are requesting your participation in a community survey to help us revise our current Land Use Plan and Zoning policies. Our Township is growing, and how we allow that growth to occur will affect our quality of life and how we live in our community.

This survey is designed to gather your views on the acceptance of various zoning regulations, the importance of preserving Medina Township's rural character and other issues related to growth and development in the Township. The survey is being mailed to all property tax payers and registered voters in the Township to ensure that we provide an opportunity for residents to offer feedback on these important issues. Additional surveys are available at the Township Hall, 3799 Huffman Road for those who did not receive ~~one~~ ^{one} in the mail.

As you complete the survey, please remember there are no correct or incorrect responses; we simply ask for your much needed opinion. The results of this survey will be presented at an upcoming public meeting.

Using the enclosed postage paid envelope, please mail your completed survey by Month , **2012**. If you have any questions, please contact, Ray Jarrett, Ken DeMichael or Michael Todd at 330-725-5713.

Thank you for your time. We sincerely value your opinion and appreciate your assistance.

Sincerely,

Medina Township Trustees

Medina Township

Community Survey Questions for Development of a Comprehensive Land Use Plan Month 2012

Instructions: This survey should be filled out by one adult in your household. However, please feel free to consult with other family members. To complete the survey please place a mark next to your response. Do not write your name or address on the survey. If there is an item or items that you do not wish to answer, simply leave that item or items blank.

Demographics

Please indicate your gender.

- Female Male

How long have you been a resident of Medina Township?

- Under 18 45 - 54
 18 - 24 55 - 64
 25 - 34 65 - 74
 35 - 44 75 and older

How long have you been a resident of Medina Township?

- less than 1 year 11 - 20 years
 1 - 5 years 21 - 40 years
 6 - 10 years over 40 years

Where do you work?

- In Medina Township or very close vicinity (within 5 miles)
 Within 6 - 10 miles of Medina Township
 Within 11 - 25 miles of Medina Township
 Greater than 25 miles from Medina Township
 Retired
 Other

General Assessment

What type of water service do you have?

- Well County City Pond Cistern

If public water service is NOT available to you, how important is the availability of it to you in the future? (circle one)

- Very important Not important No opinion

What type of sanitary service do you have? (Circle one)

- Public Sanitary Septic

If public sanitary service is NOT available to you, how important is the availability of it to you in the future? (circle one)

- Very important Not important No opinion

Are you concerned about the continued annexation of Medina Township by?

- City of Medina City of Brunswick No Concern

How do you rate these services in Medina Township?

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	No Opinion	No
a. Police Protection		1	2	3	4	5	
b. Fire Protection	1	2	3	4	5		
c. Road Maintenance	1	2	3	4	5		
d. Snow Removal	1	2	3	4	5		
e. Recreation	1	2	3	4	5		
f. Medina City Schools		1	2	3	4	5	
g. Zoning	1	2	3	4	5		
h. Zoning enforcement	1	2		3	4	5	
h. Cemeteries	1	2	3	4	5		
i. Life support Team		1	2	3	4	5	
j. Landscaping and upkeep of Public Property			1	2	3	4	

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Considering the amount of development in the township over the past 10 year how would you describe the following?

- | | Too Much | Appropriate | Too Little | No Opinion |
|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| • Residential | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| • Commercial | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

How would you rate the level of zoning regulation in Medina Township?

- Too high
 About right
 Too little
 No opinion

What is the best way for Medina Township to improve public outreach to residents?

- Web Site
 Town hall board
 Local newspaper
 Other

What should Township funds be used to improve?

- Fire / Police
 Roads
 Parks
 Township Signage
 Alternate energy
 Other

Do you want Medina Township to remain rural as much as possible?

- Yes
 No
 Undecided
 No Opinion

Do you feel Medina Township has enough park land available for its residents?

- Yes
 No
 Undecided
 No Opinion

Would you be willing to support a levy for the police department?

- Yes
 No
 Undecided
 No Opinion

Would you be willing to support a levy for the fire department?

- Yes
 No
 Undecided
 No Opinion

Would you be willing to support a levy for parks and green space?

- Yes
 No
 Undecided
 No Opinion

Would you be willing to support a levy for public services?

- Yes
 No
 Undecided
 No Opinion

Do you feel that S.R. 3 and I-71 should remain green and developed as residential as presently zoned?

- Yes
 No
 Undecided
 No Opinion

Natural Resources

On a scale of 1 to 5, how important is it for Medina Township to:

	Very Important	Important	Somewhat Important	Not Important	No Opinion	No
a. Preserve open space areas in the Township	1	2	3	4	5	
b. Protect the natural environment and wildlife habitats	1	2	3	4	5	
c. Create space for recreation, passive and/or active	1	2	3	4	5	
d. Protect and preserve water resources	1	2	3	4	5	

On a scale of 1 to 5, how important is it for Medina Township to preserve the following:

	Very Important	Important	Somewhat Important	Not Important	No Opinion	No
a. Woodlands	1	2	3	4	5	
b. Rivers, streams and adjacent lands	1	2	3	4	5	
c. Wetlands and floodplains	1	2	3	4	5	
d. Steep slopes and hillside areas	1	2	3	4	5	
e. Fields, meadows and hedgerows	1	2	3	4	5	
f. Rural roads and scenic views (scenic corridors)	1	2	3	4	5	
g. Rural structures (barns, fences, stonewalls)	1	2	3	4	5	

Would you be in favor of alternative and sustainable energy such as wind turbines?

- Yes
 No
 Undecided
 No Opinion

Would you be in favor of alternative and sustainable energy such as solar panels?

- Yes
 No
 Undecided
 No Opinion

Commercial

On a scale of 1 to 5, how do you feel about the appearance of the Medina Road (State Route 18) business district?

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Not Satisfied	No Opinion	No
a. Vehicular Safety		1	2	3	4	5
b. Parking Requirements		1	2	3	4	5
c. Personal Safety	1	2	3	4	5	
d. Pedestrian Friendly	1	2	3	4	5	
e. Parking Aesthetics	1	2	3	4	5	
f. Overall Appearance		1	2	3	4	5
g. Signage		1	2	3	4	5
h. Preservation of existing woodlands	1	2	3	4	5	
i. Landscaping Appearance			1	2	3	4
j. Architectural Building Appearance			1	2	3	4

On a scale of 1 to 5, how do you feel about the appearance of the Pearl Road (State Route 42) business district?

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Not Satisfied	No Opinion	No
a. Vehicular Safety		1	2	3	4	5

b. Parking Requirements		1	2	3	4	5
c. Personal Safety	1		2	3	4	5
d. Pedestrian Friendly	1		2	3	4	5
e. Parking Aesthetics	1		2	3	4	5
f. Overall Appearance		1	2	3	4	5
g. Signage		1	2	3	4	5
h. Preservation of existing woodlands	1		2	3	4	5
i. Landscaping	1		2	3	4	5
j. Architectural Building Appearance			1	2	3	4

On a scale of 1 to 5, how do you feel about the appearance of the Weymouth Road (State Route 3)?

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Satisfied	Not Satisfied	No Opinion	No
a. Vehicular Safety		1	2	3	4	5	
b. Parking Requirements		1	2	3	4	5	
c. Personal Safety	1		2	3	4	5	
d. Pedestrian Friendly	1		2	3	4	5	
e. Parking Aesthetics	1		2	3	4	5	
f. Overall Appearance		1	2	3	4	5	
g. Signage		1	2	3	4	5	
h. Preservation of existing woodlands	1		2	3	4	5	
i. Landscaping	1		2	3	4	5	
j. Architectural Building Appearance			1	2	3	4	

Do you feel there is too much signage in the business districts?
 Yes No Undecided No Opinion

Do you have any ideas on how the township's Commercial areas along Pearl Road (S.R. 42) and Medina Road (S.R. 18) can be improved?

Medina Township does not have an Industrial Zoning District. Should the Township designate an area for Light Industry? If so Where?

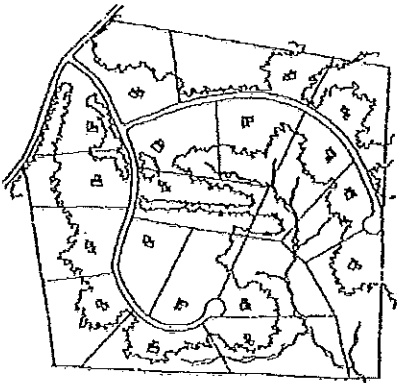
- Pearl Road (S.R. 42)
- Marks Road south of Fenn Road
- Pearl Road north of Fenn Road
- I-71 and Route 3
- Route 3 between Granger Road and I-71
- Not in support of an Industrial Zoning District

Do you think Medina Township should control the design of buildings in the commercial districts?

- Yes No Undecided No Opinion

Residential

On a scale of 1 to 3, with 1 being dislike and 3 being preferred, how would you rate the following types of housing subdivisions (see drawings below) as a way of preserving rural character and natural features?



Subdivision A

Subdivision B

Subdivision A, which is a traditional subdivision divided into 2 acre lots.

Preferred 1 2 Like 3 Dislike

Subdivision B, which has the same number of lots as Subdivision A, but the lots are 1 acre in size and the "extra" land is prohibited from further development.

Preferred 1 Like 2 Dislike 3

Do you think Medina Township should encourage Subdivision A type developments?

- Yes No Unsure No Opinion

Do you think Medina Township should encourage Subdivision B type developments?

- Yes No Unsure No Opinion

Do you think Medina Township should encourage multi-use paths and trails to link developments?

- Yes No Unsure No Opinion

On a scale of 1 to 3, with 1 being undesirable and 3 being very desirable, circle your preference concerning housing in Medina Township. If you do not know an answer, leave it blank. Feel free to make additional comments at the end of this section.

	Very Desirable	Desirable		Not Desirable
Single Family	1	2		3
Multi-Family Duplex Units	1	2		3
Multi-family Housing (3 or more units)	1	2		3
Apartments	1	2		3
Condominiums	1	2		3
Living Quarters Adjoining Businesses	1	2		3
Manufactured Housing	1	2		3
Group Facility Homes		1	2	3
Independent Senior Living/Retirement Community		1	2	3
Other _____	1	2		3

Would you be willing to pay additional taxes to: (circle one for each category)

	Yes	No	Undecided	No Opinion	
• Purchase additional land for playgrounds		1	2	3	4
• Sports fields and picnic areas		1	2	3	4
• Create walking/bike/hike trails		1	2	3	4
• Purchase land for permanent open space		1	2	3	4
• Purchase the development rights from farm land or open land		1	2	3	4

Please list two reasons why you like living in Medina Township.

1. _____
2. _____

Please list two things you would like to recommend for change about Medina Township.

1. _____
2. _____

What do you see as the strengths or weaknesses of Medina Township?

Strengths _____

Weaknesses _____

What are your concerns about the future of Medina Township?

Thank you for supporting **Medina Township** by

Completing this survey!